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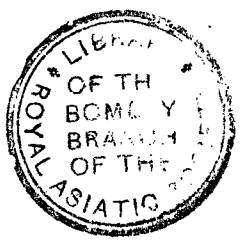

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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

LETTERS TO FORT ST. DAVID
1747

(Volume No. I)

N°. 1

[To] THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
[DE]PUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

The 22^{d}. Instant We received Your Letter of the 11th. Ulti[mo] which was forwarded to Us from Tellicherry with a Copy of M^{r}. Hinde's Letter of the 19th. Sept^{r}: to the President, the Original where[of] came to Hand at the same time, and gave Us the like Unwelco[me] Advice We some little time before had receiv'd from Madrass of tha[t] Settlement's being in the Hands of the French, which gives Us the greatest Concern.

With this the Chief & Factors at Surat will forward You a Bill of Exchange on Arcot for Rupees forty thousand (40[000]) And You may rest Assur'd that Your Indents shou'd be Complie[d] with as Consistently as the Safety of this Settlement wou'd Permit the Hoñble Company's Interest being every where alike to be regarded; but the Season of the Year will not allow of sending Yo[u] the Assistance You request, at least so as to be with You befo[re] April, by which time it is expected that two of the Hoñble Compy[s] Ships under Convoy of the Princess Mary Commodore Griffin, and the Pearl Men of War bound to Madrass will be on Your Coast, [but] We are inform'd by Cap^{t}. Misener who left England 9th. April & Arrived here in the Warwick the 19th. Instant, that He parted Company fr[om] the Princess Mary & the Madeira & Coast & Bay Ships about the [...] May off the Madeiras, at which Port the Pearl was to Join The[m] and from the Marlborough about the 12th. of July off the Cape bu[t] when Our latter Ships were to Sail or how many Men of War we[re] to Come out with Them We do not know.

And althô We do not know where the Men of War und[er] the Command of Cap^{t}. Peyton are, yet as You heard of Them on You[r] Coast so late as the 23^{d}. August, it may be suppos'd they are in the Bay still, and that in December or January, You may be Amply assisted by them (in Case of Need) and shou'd You be Attack'd in the Interim, We rest Assur'd the Place will be well defen[ded].

For Carrying on the Hoñble Company's Trade this Year they have built the Ship Dragon of 300 Tons Cap^{t}. Henry Kent for Banjar, and taken up the Undermentioned Ships, Viz^{t}:

		Tons			
Severn	498	Joseph Collier	Mocha.
Somerset	498	Thomas Tolson	St. Helena & Bencoolen.
Tavistock	498	Thomas Coates	Madrass & China.
Shaftsbury	498	Matthew Bookey	China.
Lynn	498	Charles Gilbert	
Sandwich	498	John Petre	
Houghton	498	Isaac Worth	Coast & Bay.
Salisbury	498	Christopher Burrows ..	
Montfort	498	Robert Hanslapp	
Marlborough	498	Thomas Smith	
Britannia	498	John Somner	
Exeter	498	William Weston Commodore.	Bombay & Chi[na].

	Tons.		
Ilchester	498	John Tedd	} Bombay.
Warwick	498	Robert Misenor	}
Princess of Wales ..	498	Thomas Harry	Coast & Bay.
Bombay Castle ..	498	Thomas Brown	Madrass.
Princess Amelia ..	498	Samuel Martin	Bengal.
Portfield	400	Francis D'Abbadie	Mocha.
[*Lacuna*]	498	Robert Haldane	Banjar & China.

of which the Severn arriv'd at Mocha 25th. July, from whence We dai[ly] Expect her. The Dragon & Somerset were seen in the Streights of Sun[da] about 13th. August standing for Batavia by a Country Ship that Ar[rived] at Tellicherry the 5th. Ultimo from that Place.

The Essex from Mocha sail'd hence for Great Britain 16th. Sept[r.] last fully loaded with Coffee; and the Pelham who was Dispatc[hed] at the same time to be fill'd up at Tellicherry left that Place the [...] Ultimo. We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

WILLIAM WAKE.
NATHANIEL WHITWELL.
WILLIAM SEDGWICKE.
THOMAS MARSH.
JOHN MUNRO.
ROBERT RAWDOH [*sic*]
RICHARD SANDERS.

BOMBAY CASTLE
NOVR. 27TH. 1746/7.

N°. 2

TO THE WORSHL. JOHN HINDE ESQR.
[D]EPUTY GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

This goes under Tarwarree's Cover to one Judajee Sunker at [Arcot] who will pay You 40,000 Rupees, We having paid to Tarwarree here Surat Rupees 40,100, being at the Exchange of 100¼ Surat Rupees for 10[0] Arcot. The Hoñble Presidt. & Council of Bombay have directed Us to m[ake] this Remittance, & the said Judajee Sunker is caution'd to Pay [it] & transmit their Letter in such a Manner that neither may [fall] into the Enemy's Hands. When You receive it, Advise Us as soo[n] as Possible.

We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

JAMES HOPE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
G. SADLEIR.
HENRY FRAZER.
JAMES HENRY LAMBE.
W. A. PRICE.

[Su]rat
[...] 4th. 1746/7.

[P.]S. The Severn Capt. [Colli]er Imported at Bombay [the] 28th. Ultimo having [been] 2 Months & 28 Days in [the] Passage from Mocha.

N°. 3

[To] THE WORSH[L]. JOHN HINDE ESQ[R].

[D]EPUTY GOVERNOUR &C[A]. COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. DAVID.

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS

We wrote You under Date 28[th]. Nov[r]. and inclosed comes Duplicate thereof. The President & Council of Bengal having thought Proper to Dispatch Our Honble Master's Ship Kent, who imported here a few Days Past for the Bales of this Place and Ingeram, & as We are inform'd the Men of War are not likely to leave the Bay before the latter End of January, which Prevents Our sending Them with Safety to the Southward, We think it for the Interest of Our Honb[le] Masters to follow their Directions, and do Accordingly Purpose to lade on board her all the Cloth We have, excepting what is at the Wash, which will be about 200 Bales, but We Apprehend that from Ingeram will not Arrive in Time.

Your Worship &c[a's]. Letter of 21[st]. Nov[r]. came to hand the 18[th]. Instant, and We have this Day Dispatch[ed] a Vessel to the Gentlemen of Calcutta with the Contents thereof.

As We Observe there are 3 Ships still lying in Pondicherry Road, and none of Ours on the Coast. We think it wou'd not be safe to send up the People upon a Country Vessel, for which Reason We are resolv'd to Ship Them on board the Kent in order to be sent from the Bay upon the Men of War, as We doubt not but She will Arrive the[re] before they Sail.

By this Conveyance We have sent 110 Bags of [...] Salt Petre taken out of the Kent and hope it will Arri[ve] Safe. The Syrang has Orders to fall in with Porto Novo, and Advise Your Worship &c[a]. of his Arrival there by Peons put on board Him for that Purpose.

We are with Respect

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM
DEC[R]. 20[TH]. 1746.

N°. 4

TO THE WORSH[L]. JOHN HINDE ESQ[R].

DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C[A]. COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. DAVID.

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS

My last was the 25[th]. Ultimo, since which the Ke[nt] Cap[t]. Robson arriv'd at Vizagapatam to take in those and wha[t] Bales He cou'd get from hence I have dispatch'd my Sloop wi[th] 112. The Ship cannot yet get out, the Kent sails the 25[th]. for the B[ay]. I shall be in readiness to Obey any Orders. I may receive from You in regard to the Remaining Bales, and am

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servant

THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
DEC[R]. 24[TH]. 1746.

N°. 5.

To the Worsh[l]. John Hinde Esq[r].
Deputy Gov[r]. &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

This is to Advise You that Our Hoñble Masters Sh[ip] Kent sail'd hence the 23[d]. Instant, with 600 Bales, & that We have [just] now receiv'd a Letter from Ballasore of the 7[th]. Instant, the Contents [of] which are as follows, "Lieutenant "Speak (formerly in the Comp[any's] Service) Arriv'd here on Friday Night from "on board his Majestys Ship the Princess Mary Commodore Griffin who is with "the Pea[rl] Captain Boyce in Connica Road, where I have sent the Compan[y's] "Sloops to attend upon them, and believe the Commodore will be [on] shore to "Morrow. By the next Springs the Six Ships that are [in] the River of Bengal, "will I believe be ready to Sail for the Coast."

We are
Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
Richard Prince.
Robert Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

Vizagapatam
Dec[r]. 27[th]. 1746.

N°. 6.

[To] John Hinde Esq[r].
Governour &c[t]. Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been pretty much out of order for these ten days past otherw[ise] should have wrote your Hon[r]. &c[t]. for orders concerning this Settlement which I now [do] & humbly beg you will be pleas'd to give me Directions about the Bales that are laying here which I have receiv'd from some of the Merchants for their Ballances, as also abou[t] this & Marlipatam [*sic*] Factory which are greatly damag'd by the Late Rains that have fallen this way.

The Nabob has Sent a Dalhoit hither to put me in mind of the annual present, which I shall defer Sending till I hear from your Hon[r]. &c[t]. but in the mean Time shall write him of the unsettled State affairs are in at pr[esent] Enclos'd are the Journal parcels & Cash accounts for August, September October, No[vember] & December. I am with much respect,

Honourable Sir & Sirs,
Your most obedient humble Servant
Samuel Banks.

[M]addapollam
[...][st]. January 1746.7.

[A] List of Bales on hand.
[L]ong Cloth ordinary white 14 Bales.
[L]ong Cloth fine half washed 2 D°.

In all 16 Bales.

N°. 7

[To] JOHN HINDE ESQR
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR [OF] FORT ST. DAVID &CT. COUNCIL.

SIRS,

Your favour of the 18th. December reached me the 16th. Instant, [&] agreable to your orders in which, I immediately procur'd the best Vessel I could get, an[d] now Send you Eighty two Bales Salampores, one Thousand, six hundred & fifty Gunneys, and one hundred forty four Bundles Ropes Invoice and Syrangs receip[t] for which come Enclos'd, the Latter article I have no orders for, but having them ready I sent them.

I could have been very glad to have receiv'd your Instructio[ns] about Grain somewhat sooner, all the Ships but three, having been dispatch'd [from] this Port before I received your Letter, these I have Engaged upon promising them your favour, & that they shall pay no more Custom than the English do, which I flatter myself you will Confirm, there are indeed some Metchlepata[m] Boats here, but they are under the Conduct of Gomastahs, and cannot go to any Port without Leave of their Constituents. I am

SIRS,

Your most Obedient & most humble Servt.
JOHN ANDREWS.

GANJAM
JANY. 21ST. 1746.7.

N°. 8

TO THE HONBLE NICHOLAS MORSE ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This Serves to inclose Cash account and Journal parcel[s] for Last Month. I am with the greatest Respect

HONOURABLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servant
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
18TH. SEPTEMBER 1746.

Cloth on hand.

Long Cloth ordinary		847.
Do.	Fine	176.5.
Salampores Ordinary		366.17.
Do.	Fine	18.
Izzarees fine		9.18.
Do.	Superfine	23.

N°. 9

TO THE WORSHIPFUL JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

I have rec'd your favour of the 18th. Ulto. and heartily congratulate you on the Success you have met with, may it still be Greater.

Upon Mr. Princes advising the Gentlemen at Bengall of the Cloth he had they thought fit to send the Kent Capt. Robson [to] take in Those and what could be got from hence, mine arriv'd too Late and have now agreable to your directions

given orders to the Master of Ship Suc[cess] on which is Loaden 540, of Sloop Fortune 112, to proceed to your Port, the [re]maining being about 140, I shall if possible Load on a Country Ship [if] in Company.

In a few days I will Transmit you Duplicate Invo[ice] with the accounts of This Factory, I have had no Cash here for some [time] wherefore as Mr. Prince has receiv'd a large Supply from Bengall please [do] order him to furnish me with what may be necessary for the Suppor[t] of the Factory.

I am with respect

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servan[t]

THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM.

5TH. JANUARY 1746.7.

I shall do my utmost in Encouraging an Importation of Grain &ct. to your Place.

N°. 10

[To] JOHN HINDE ESQR.

[DE]PUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

SIR & SIRS

The 9th. Instant We receiv'd Your Letter of the 22d. Ultimo with an Order Enclos'd for Captain John Somner of the Britannia, which We sent next Day to Anjengo to be from thence forwarded to Him at Gaulee.

We heartily Congratulate You on the Victor[y] Obtain'd over the French of Pondicherry, and Question not bu[t] They will be discourag'd from such another Attempt. An[d] as the Men of War were daily expected from Bengal, We hope You will soon be reliev'd and Supplied with all Necessarie[s]. No French Ship has Appear'd upon this Coast, since the Month of August, when any comes, We shall not fail of Advising You thereof, & relating to You all other Materia[l] Occurrences that may happen this Way. We believe the[re] will be no Occasion to Place Tappy Peons between Tellicherry & Fort St. David, as the Distance is only fifteen Days Journey, which One Pair of Patterahs can very well Perform without being much fatigued.

It is with Pleasure We hear of the Arrival in Bengal of Our Honble Masters Ships Marlborough, Montfort, & Salisbury, which News has also been Confirmed to Us by Capt. Doucett in the Triton Snow, who left Calcutta the 3d. Decr. But His Majty's. Ships under Commodore Griffin had not been heard of.

We expect from Bombay in a few Days th[e] Severn, Warwick, & Ilchester to load at this Place & Anjeng[o] for England. We have Pepper & Cardamoms enough to fi[ll] all three Ships.

We wish heartily a Speedy End to Your Troubles, & Success against all Our Enemies, that the Honble Compy[s] Affairs on Your side of India may again be carried on with the Usual Currency & Advantage. We are

SIR & SIRS,

Your most Humble Servants

GEORGE DUDLEY.

WILLIAM WEST.

HUGH SYMMONS.

[T]ELLICHERRY

JANRY 15TH. 1746/7.

N°. 11

[To] THE WORSH^L. JOHN HINDE ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

I have Desir'd Richard Prince Esq^r. Chief [&] Council of Vizagapatam to Enclose to You Invoice & Bi[ll] of Lading of Goods laden on this Ship Success John Her[iott] Master Amounting to Pagodas 37818. 9. 27. which I wis[h] safe to You. I am

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
2^D. JANRY 1746/7.

N°. 12

TO THE WORSH^L. JOHN HINDE ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

This is to Inclose Duplicate of what W[e] Wrote ℔ Boat Jaganaicula, and to Advise You that the Lively Man of War imported here the 2^d. Instant in Order [to] Convoy the Kent back to Bengal, We have taken the Opp[or]tunity of sending with her a Sloop that Arriv'd here a few Days before from Ingeram with 112 Bales of Cloth They both Sail'd Yesterday Morning.

We have Sent the Remainder of the [Men] ℔ the Lively, excepting 4 that are in the Hospital & a[s] Many that have been Sent to Ingeram at the Req[uest] of M^r. Saunders Inclos'd comes a List of their Names as [well] of those Sent upon the Kent.

It's thought the Squadron will be [ready] to Sail for the Coast about the Middle of this Month.

We are with Respect.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Serv^ts.
RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM
5^TH. JANRY 1746/7.

N°. 13

[To] THE WORSH^L. JOHN HINDE ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

We have Receiv'd Your Favour of the 18^th. Dec^r. Containing the Agreable News of Your having defeated the French, which gives Us inexpressible Satisfaction, & We beg leave to Congratulate You thereon.

As We are likely to have a Plenty of Grain in these Parts We doubt not but you will be well Supply'd at least We shall Use Our utmost Endeavours for that Purpose.

Your Worship &c$^{a's}$ Letter of the 29th. Oct^{r}. came to hand the 25th. November, & was Answer'd the 28th. that of the 21st. Nov^{r}. was brought Us the 18th. Dec^{r}. and Answer'd the 20th. ℔ Boat Jaganaicula, which is two Days after the Date of Your Last Letter, and as to that of the 28th. Nov^{r}. unless the Peon[s] travell'd faster than they did from Fort S^{t}. David hither Your Worship &c^{a}. Cou'd not have Possibly receiv'd by the 18th. Dec^{r}.

This waits on You ℔ Ship Success & Incloses [the] Masters Bill of Lading for 540 Bales of Callicoes Shipped on board her by M^{r}. Thomas Saunders Resident at Ingeram.

We are with Respect

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servant[s]

[V]IZAGAPATAM
JANRY 12TH. 1746/7.

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 14

[To] THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
[DE]PUTY GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Inclos'd Inv^{o}. & Bill of Lading for Sundry Goods laden on Boat Stree Narsatachaloo Syrang Nemgemunt[...] Juggoa Amount^{g}. to Pagodas 8616. 32. 4. I am

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

INGERAM
14TH. JANRY 1746/7.

Your most Obedient Humble Servant
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

N°. 15

[T]O THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

My last Letters were the 2^{d}. ℔ Ship Succe[ss] and 5th. ℔ Peons, this is to Advise You of her Arrival [here] & that I have Dispatch'd a Boat with the Rest of m[y] Bales under the Success's Convoy, as I have no Euro[pe] to Put on board Her.

The Lively who left Bengal the 27th. Ultimo advises that 4 of the Ships were ready at Inge[ram] the Rest wou'd be in a very few Days, So that I [shall] Suppose they are with You 'ere this. I am

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

INGERAM
15TH. JANRY 1746/7.

Your most Obedient H̃ble Servan[t]
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

[P.]S. M^{r}. Prince Dispatch'd the Sloop the 2^{d}. with 112 Bales for Bengal under Convoy of the Lively.

N°. 16

To THE WORSH^L. JOHN HINDE ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

The 25^th. Instant We receiv'd Your Favour o[f] the 4^th. Accompanying a Packet for Bengal which w[e] immediately forwarded, Our Letters ℔ Boat Jaganai[ut] which We hope You have Receiv'd long before now [will] inform You of the Needfull concerning the Bales [to] People You wrote for, & We flatter Ourselves that You[r] Worship &c^a. will Approve of what We have done.

We hope Our Squadron is by this time with You, and are

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM
29^TH. JANRY 1746/7.

N°. 17

[To] THE WORSH^L. JOHN HINDE ESQ^R.
[DEPU]TY GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

We have receiv'd Your Letters of the 11^th. & 29^th. October last. The former came to hand the 16^th. Dec^r. the latter the 27^th. of the same Month.

We are extremely concern'd to Observe the bad Situation of Our Hoñble Masters Affairs on Your Coast, but by Extracts of Lres from Fort S^t. David, receiv'd Two Days ago from M^r. Prince at Vizagapatam, We are glad to hear that Your Settlement was Safe the 10^th. Dec^r. and that You had Defeated an Attempt made on You by the Enemy.

Our President Receiv'd Letters from M^r. Hinde, of September Date, one of which came to his Hand the 2^d. Dec^r. and the other later in that Month, & We then Determin'd to Send you Succours, agreable to Your Desire, & had Appointed Our Hoñble Masters Ship Marlbrô for that Purpose & to be loade[n] with the Bales M^r. Hinde Advis'd Our President He shou'd have in Readiness, We design'd Her to Proceed to you under Convoy of the Men of War, as the only safe Method of getting to Your Port, but the Commodore thinking proper to stay till the Medway's Leaks were repair'd, that Service has been perform'd but lately & She is only now proceeding down the River to Join the Commodore at Ingelee. By this long Delay, We found they would arrive You too late for the Marlbro' to be loaded home this Season. We therefore alter'd Our Resolution, & have kept that Ship to be dispatch'd home from hence, otherwise a Cargo must have lain on hand, no other[s] of Our Hoñble Masters Outward-Bound Ships being Arrived. Therefore the Stores, Ammunition & Powder, design'd You by He[r] are laden on his Majesty's Ships, as ℔ the Inclos'd Account, Invoices whereof come herewith, & Copies of such Receipts as the Commanders of His Majesty's Ships have Given.

As We found it impracticable to get Bills of Exchange on any Merchants, or Shroffs at Arcot, We now send You on his Majesty's Ship Princess Mary, Two Chests of Rupees, as ℔ Invoice inclos'd, Amounting to Current Rupees Twenty Two Thousand One hundred & Thirty five, Eleven Anaes, Six Pice Should You have Occasion for more Money, Commodore Griffin has a large Sum of the King's Money with Him, and has Promis'd to Assist You should You be in Necessity.

On the Arrival first of His Majesty's Squadron [in] this River, We advis'd Madrass Presidency thereof, & the Cir[cum]stances of Affairs here; which Letter M^r. Prince Open'd & th[ou]ght improper to be forwarded, lest it should fall into

[the] Enemies Hands. We again address'd Madrass Presidency, un[der] Date of the 21st. October last, Copy whereof comes inclos'd for [Your] Perusal, as also Copies of the Manifests of Private Trade, Silver, Coral &ca. design'd for Madrass Settlement, so that if any of the Gentlemen to whom they are Consign'd be with You, Please Desire Them to give Orders about Them.

On the Arrival of Our Hoñble Masters here, that [were] Design'd for Fort St. George, We open'd the Packets, & took out [the] Necessary Papers, and have since landed Their Cargoes, wh[ich] shall be duely Accounted for to Our Hoñble Masters.

We now send the several Packets by Commodore Gri[ffin] to whom We have recommended the Care of Them.

We are now Preparing to Dispatch Our Hoñble Masters Ships, Kent, Marlborough, Montfort, & Salisbury, [for] Europe, with their full Loadings; & shall duly Advise The[m] the State of Affairs on Your Coast, as far as may come to Our Knowledge, as We have already done by the Tryal Snow dispa[tchd] hence to England the 30th. Novr, last.

On the Receipt of the News of the Melancholy S[citu]ation of Affairs on Your Coast, & Advices from Vizagapatam of there being about fifteen hundred Bales of Our Hoñble Masters Goods lying ready at that Place & Ingeram, We came to a Resolution of sending Our Hoñble Masters Sh[ip] Kent to that Port to fetch Them, in order to Preserve The[m] from the Enemy, should they make any Attempts on th[ose] Places. The Kent was Dispatch'd from hence the 30th. Nov[ember] & return'd to Us the 26th. January, with only Six Hundre[d] Bales of Cloth, that were then at Vizagapatam, of which 238 Bales are Brown, The Goods lying at Ingeram cou'd n[ot] be sent from thence in time for the Kent. Since which, Imported here the 27th. Ultimo, Sloop Fortune, with 100 Bales of White, & 12 Bales of brown Cloth from thence, Par[t] of Them are Damag'd and gnawed by the Rats, of which We have advised the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam, tha[t] they may Recover from the Owners of the Sloop, for Our Hoñ[ble] Masters, what is Usual in such Cases. The White Cloth We Design home on the Ships now on their Dispatch. The Brown We shall reserve for whitening here.

The Gentlemen at Vizagapatam sent on the Kent Forty five Men to be forwarded to You on His Majesty's Squadron. On that Ship's Coming into the River Commodore Griffin sent his Boats on board, and Imprest 44 of Them, out of her. But has Since promis'd, in Case You should have Occasion, He will not only lend them, but as many more as You may want for the Defence of your Settlement Thirty three of these Men have Sent Us in a Petition, Requesting Pay due to Them from the first of December last to the 18th. Jañry, As we are not Appriz'd from Vizagapatam of any being due to Them, We have thought Proper to Enclose a Copy of their Petition, & leave it to You to Adjust with the People, when they Arrive at Your Port.

The Refin'd Brimstone Mr. Hinde desir'd might be Sent was not Procurable in time to be sent by the Squadron, but shall be forwarded to You with the Salt Petre requir'd, by a Country Ship now Preparing for Your Coast.

Supposing You might be in Want of Stationary Ware, as none of Our Hoñble Masters Ships touch'd at Your Por[t] We have now Sent You on his Majesty's Squadron, One Chest Mark'd Stab. Ware Nº. 1. Containing as ℔ Invoice Inclos'd.

We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

JOHN FORSTER.
A. DAWSON.
SAMUEL SHELDRAKE.
HUMPHRY BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.

[FORT] WILLIAM
[FE]BRY 4TH. 1746/7.

N°. 18

[To] THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We wrote You last under the 27th. Nov^{r}. Duplicate whereof is enclos'd since which Your Favour of the 28th. Oct^{r}. has been Rec^{d}. by the Way of Tellicherry.

M^{r}. Hallyburton by Gov^{r}. Morse's Directions h[as] transmitted Us Sundry Articles &c^{a}. Papers relating to the Loss of Madrass, the List of which (as They were not Particu[la]riz'd by Him) We send You Enclos'd. And the Calamities th[at] have befallen Our Unhappy Countrymen there affords a real Matter of Concern. Of this Important Event We advised [ye] Honble Company under the 7th. of Nov^{r}. by the Way of Alepp[ey] in like manner, as it came Reported to Us, & shall shortly transmit Them Overland the Confirmation thereof wit[h] Copies of the Abovemention'd Papers.

The 9th. Ultimo Our Honble Masters Ship Ilches[ter] Imported here from Great Britain. She Sail'd from Plymou[th] the 16th. of May last, in Company of the Britannia boun[d] Your Coast, & the Bay, from which Ship She lost Company [in] August in the Latitude of 33″ 40′. S.

Agreable to a former Desire of Gov^{r}. Morse & [His] Council We have at length brought Tulajee Angria to Res[tore] to the Honble Company their Ship Princess Augusta [for] the Sum of Rupees 8000 Exclusive of some other Charges the[re] And She Accordingly Arriv'd here the 2^{d}. Nov^{r}. last. The Ser[vicè] the Gentlemen at Madrass intended She should be Emp[loyed] in was, to have Carried Plank from Callicut to that Po[rt] But, as the Face of Affairs on Your Side is unhappily A[ltered] We shou'd be glad to know from You in what Manner You Judge, she can be most Suitably Employ'd in Our Hon[ble] Masters Service. We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
WILLIAM WAKE.
NATHANIEL WHITWELL.
WILLIAM SEDGWICKE.
THOMAS MARSH.
JOHN MUNRO.
ROBERT RAWDOH [*sic*].
RICHARD SAUNDERS.

BOMBAY CASTLE
JANRY 9TH. 1746/7.

N°. 19

[To] THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We wrote You last under the 9th. Instant Duplicate whereof is Enclos'd & on the 17th. following receiv[ed] Your several Letters of the 20th. & 30th. Nov^{r}. & 13th. Ultimo by the Way of Tellicherry, which came very Opportunely for Us to Advise the Honble Company of Overland, as the Vessel tha[t] Carried Our Address Sail'd hence 21st. Instant.

We Congratulate You on Your Success against the French; which We hope will Prevent their making any further Attempts against Your Settlement, at least till such time as You may Reasonably Expect to Receive Suff[i]cient Succours from Bengal, With Our Advices of the 27[th.] Nov^{r}. last We directed the Chief & Factors at Surat to forwar[d] You a Bill on Arcot for the Sum of 40,000 Rupees, agreable to

Your Request, which We hope You have duely Received And when We get Your Answer to that Letter We shall be better able to Judge of what farther Supplies You stand in Need of, which You may Rest Assur'd We shall send You as soon as the Season will allow; & in such Manner as the Demands of this Presidency will best Admit.

We hear that the Britannia at Gallee having been drove about for the space of fourteen Days in great Distress, Occasion'd by a Number of Men lost by Death, & Disabled by Sickness; And the Gov^{r}. of Columbo has wrote under the 16th. Ultimo N.S. that She shall no[w] want for Assistance; but no Letter has been Receiv'd from the Commander. From the Coast the Chief & Factors were Endeavouring to send her Lascars to Enable the Commander to Proceed on His Voyage We may reasonably Suppose that you hav[e] heard where this Ship is; but make no doubt You will receive this time enough to give the Necessary Orders Concerning her, as We hope You may to the Houghton, if the Commander thought proper to go to Ceylone rather than Batavia.

We are now Preparing to Dispatch the Severn, Warwick & Ilchester to Great Britain, And as We receive any Advices of Importance for You to know, You need not Doubt of Our Communicating the same to Yo[u] from time to time. We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your very humble Servants

BOMBAY CASTLE
JANUARY 23^{D}. 1746/7.

WILLIAM WAKE.
NATHANIEL WHITWELL.
WILLIAM SEDGWICKE.
THOMAS MARSH.
JOHN MUNRO.
ROBERT RAWDOH [*sic*].
RICHARD SANDERS.

N°. 20

To JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

SIR & SIRS,

Our last to You was Dated 15th. Jañry & [on] the 18th. Instant We receiv'd by way of Anjengo Your Let[ter] of the 20th. Ultimo with Duplicate of that under the 2[...] of December. The four French Ships You mention to [have] been in Pondicherry Road, We hear are now Arriv'd [upon] this Coast. They chas'd an Armenian Ship Cap^{t}. Vas[...] He the Commander has wrote to M^{r}. Bourchier. An[d] the 12th. Instant Seven Sail of Ships suppos'd to be French were standing directly into Anjengo Roa[d]. Our Neighbours at Mahie are making great Pre[pa]rations to Supply them with Boats, Warlike Stores Provisions, and other Necessaries, & Confidently say [they] will be here in a few Days. We hope Commodore Gr[iffin] may have brought you sufficient Relief from Be[ngal] and that He will be able to follow the French Flee[t] this Coast, as otherwise We may be greatly Distres[sed] for the Malabar Princes generally join the strongest.

We shall acquaint the President & Coun[cil] at Bombay with what you desire concerning the [Bill] they sent You for 40,000 Rupees, & Your Request for Rice, But We are sorry to Acquaint You that the[re] is almost a Famine to the Northward this Year [for] Want of the latter Rain. We hope however some [Rice] may be Procur'd for you at Mangulore.

Yesterday imported from Bombay Our H[oñ] Masters Ships Severn, Warwick & Ilchester which W[e are] loading with Pepper in order to Dispatch them to Great Britain The Accompanying Packet for You was [brought] by those Ships from the President & Council.

We look daily for the Return of Our Pattama[r] from Your Place, and shall be glad he brings Us News of Commodore Griffin's Arrival at Fort St, David.

We are

SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

GEORGE DUDLEY.
WILLIAM JEYNSON,
WILLIAM WEST,
HUGH SYMMONS.

[TEL]LICHERRY
[FEB]RY 19TH. 1746/7.

N°. 21

[TO T]HE WORSHL. JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL. OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

I am just now favour'd with Your Letter of the 8th. Instant, the 5th. Ultimo I acknowledg'd Receipt of Your Favour of the 18th. Decr. Ordering me to Send up my Bales, & the 24th. I address'd You with Duplicate of Invoices, Bills of Lading &ca. My Ship had Certain[ly] Proceeded to the Bay, had not Your Letter of the 18th. Order'd to the Contrary, Duplicate of which Orders I receiv'd the 22d. Ultimo, She sail'd from hence the 21st. When We had no News of French Shipping and Advices from Vizagapatam were such as Suppos'd the Squadron would be with You, as Mr. Prince &ca. Council mentio[ned] they were to leave Bengal the middle of the Month.

For the Security of the Factory I procur'd of the Nabo[b] 2 Horsemen, but as I have now Shipp'd off the Company's Effect[s] I desire Your Orders whether I shall Continue Them or not, a[nd] should I have Occasion I may find trouble to get them again.

I am quite Destitute of Cash; I shall retrench the Expences of the Factory as much as Possible. Mr. Prince not being able to Supply me, & imagining You might be in the same Condition, I have Applied to Bengal for 6000 Rupees.

Inclos'd is an Indent of what is wanting at this Place. My Journal Parcels & Cash Accounts are all ready, whenever Y[ou] think Proper I will transmit them to You. I am

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servant

THOMAS SAUNDERS.

[INGE]RAM.
[...] FEBRY 1746/7.

N°. 22

To JOHN HINDE ESQR.
GOVERNOUR [*sic*] &cA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have receiv'd Your Honour &ca's. Letter of the 8th. Instant Enclosing one for Coja Meerza, which I deliver'd to Hi[m] Days ago, He acquaints me that He has never Receiv'd any [...] or Letter from Mr. Hinde about Sending the Chay Goods up, that He cannot get a Vessel to put Them in, which is all [a] Joke, for the Goods are not a third of Them Wash'd yet, & now th[ey] Demand them He refuses to Deliver them up to me, so th[at I] humbly beg You will be Pleas'd to give me Directions in [what] Manner to Act, for the Dutch Gentlemen Advise me to A[pply] to the Phousdar, which if I do, it must be attended with a [present] of about forty Pagodas.

As the Season of the Year is so far Advanc'd [it will] be impracticable to send the Bales that are lying at Mad[a]pollam upon a Country Vessel, therefore I beg to know that i[n] Case an Opportunity shou'd Offer for Bengal or Vizagapat[am] whether or no You wou'd be Pleas'd to have them sent.

The Nabob has sent three Dalhoits to the F[rench] at Maddapollam to Demand the Annual Present, & they [not] only remain upon high Batta, but insult me in a sha[meful] manner; The River People also stop my People as they [Pass] & repass, & take Juncan from them, so that I must humb[ly] entreat of Your Honour &ca. to take this into Consideration, [other]ways I shall never be at Ease with Them.

I shall have due Regard to what You are P[leasd] to write about the Expences of the Factory.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Serva[nt]
SAMUEL BANKS.

MAZLIPATAM.
28TH: FEBRY 1746/7.

N°. 23

To JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &cA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

SIR & SIRS

Our last to You bore Date the 15th. Ultim[o] [du]plicate of which Accompanys this.

On Advice of the French Fleet's Arrival on [this] Coast, We came to a Resolution of dispatching to the Nor[th] Our Hoñble Masters Ships Severn, Warwick, & Ilchester, & They Accordingly Sail'd hence the 22d. Ultimo, with about One thousand Candies of Pepper in part of their Loadings.

On the 27th. Ultimo Arriv'd at Mahie three of the French Fleet, & on the 1st. Instant two more. They have ever since Lain in Mahie Road, & the French Report they are in daily Expectation of being Join'd by some more Ships from the Islands with Monsr. La Bourdonnais, when they it is said intend to Attack Us, but we hear from other Hands, that they are preparing to Sail with all Expedition, thô We do not learn that they have take[n] on board either Pepper, or any thing else from Mahie. They have Landed there a Considerable Quantity of Treasure, blue Cloth, & Warlike Stores of all Sorts, And if they should Depart hence in a short time, We may reasonbly Conclude, that th[e] Report of La Bourdonnais's coming this Way

from the Island is untrue. We have no News yet of Our Men of War, but hope soon to hear from You of their Arrival on the Cormandel Coast, & that they are bound hither to seek after the Enemy.

We are

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
GEORGE DUDLEY.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.
WILLIAM WEST.
HUGH SYMMONS.

[TEL]LICHERRY
[MA]RCH 7TH. 1746/7.

N°. 24

To [T]HE WORSHL. JOHN HINDE ESQR.
[DE]PUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

I was favour'd with Your Worship &ca's. Letter of 24th. Ultimo the 8th. Instant, & am very glad to hear of the safe Arrival of the Honble Company's Bales with You, I am sorry 6 of Them happen'd to be damag'd, The Conveyance was the best I cou'd Procure, so that I hope You wont let me be a Sufferer thereby.

The Supply You are Pleas'd to promise me will be very acceptable, likewise Your Compliance with the Indent for Wares & Stores as I have no Broad Cloth, and have now 4 Dalhoits here for the Annual Present, who are very Expensive and troublesome.

I hope the Squadron is long since with You Forster writes me they were upon Sailing 31st. Janry [A] Sloop of mine Left Pilot's Water the 7th. Ulto. a Ship Passe[d] the 14th. which They imagin'd to be One of them.

I am

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Serva[nt]
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
MARCH 10TH. 1746/7.

N°. 25

TO THE WORSHL. JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

We wrote You under Date the 4th. Instant under [the] Care of Commodore Griffin, who Design'd for the Cormandel Co[ast] & left his Pilot the 12th. Instant, therein Enclos'd We sent You Invoices of what Money, Stores, Ammunition, Provision[s] Laden on his Majesty's Squadron, Which We hope will Ar[rive] You safe. Duplicate of said Letter comes Enclos'd.

On the 14th. Instant We receiv'd Your two last Le[tters] of the 29th. Decr. & 4th. Janry in which You seem to think [that] We have Neglected You. We assure You We have had Our [thou]ghts continually employ'd about getting Supplys to You ev[er] since the first News of the taking of Madrass which came to [our] Knowledge on the 8th. Octr. but You must be sensible that it [is] not Reckon'd safe to send any Vessels out of the Bay till after [the] 20th. Novr. As the French were known to be on the Coast it [was] judg'd next to Impossible for any Vessel to Pass them for Y[our] Port, as they must Necessarily Coast it in Order to save the[ir] Passage, & so must of Consequence fall into the Enemies Han[ds] And as Mr. Peyton propos'd to Sail the Beginning of Decr. [in] his Majesty's Squadron We thought that the Proper time to [send] You such Supplies as We Judg'd You might want And [as] soon as ever We Learned from Mr. Hinde's Letter under date [the] 15th. Septr. to the President, that he shou'd have 1000 Bales re[ady] for the Company in January, We resolv'd to send Our Honble Masters Ship

Marlborough to Supply You, & carry home the Bales as before Advis'd You, but the Medway's Mast brea[king] and a Council of War having Determin'd the Commodore [not] to Sail without Her, We found they would go out too late [for] the Marlbrô to Arrive with You & be dispatch'd for Europe this Season, & therefore kept her to carry home the Tonnage. We had on Hand, & sent the Stores &c^{a}. design'd You, on His Majestys Ships And Whereas You Complain of having receiv'd no Letters from Us, We had nothing to Advise of but the Situation of His Majesty's Squadron, & the Arrival of Our Hoñble Masters Ships, of which & what else was necessary We duely Advis'd Madrass Presidency Overland Our Letters falling into the Hands of M^{r}. Prince at Vizagapatam He stopped Them, & Advis'd Us that He thought it improper to forward Them; However We several times Advis'd M^{r}. Prince of the State of Affairs here, who wou'd doubtless have given You Notice thereof had the Passage been free. We cannot therefore upon Reflection charge Ourselves with having Neglected Your Settlement. Your Want of Supplies from Us sooner, have been solely Owing to the times & Accidents, And We easily excuse the Anxiety You express for the Unhappy Situation of Your Affairs.

As You write so pressingly for a large Quantity of Rice, the want of which You never Hinted to Us before, We have engag'd the Jenny, Fort S^{t}. George, & Prince of Orange to go directly to Your Port, & to deliver their Cargoes to You, which We have Purchas'd at the Rate of 100 Pagodas ℔ Madrass Garse of 56 Bags, each Containing two Buzar Maunds; for which You are either to Pay them, or to Draw Bills for the Amount on Us. This will be a Supply of about 20,000 Mds & We hope will be Sufficient for You.

We send this ℔ Ship Jenny, & Enclose M^{r}. Cradock's Contract for the Delivery of Her Lading of Rice also Invoice & a Bill of Lading for 3 Chests of Piasters & Zelottoes laden on Her, On Our Hoñble Masters Account, which We thought most Proper to Send You as having no other Species of Rupee[s] than Sicca, on which there wou'd Arise a Loss at Your Place. By the Fort S^{t}. George We shall send You a further Supply of about 10,000 Rupees more, which is full as much as We can Spare from Our own Occasions. The Gentlemen from Bombay Advise Us under Date the 19th. Dec^{r}. that they have remitted You the Money You wrote for to Them. On the Prince of Orange We shall send You some Lead, Iron, & Tarr.

The Bullion, Goods, Stores & Madeira Wine, that were Consign'd to Your Coast, were long ago landed here, & Dispos'd of Agreable to Our Hoñble Masters Orders as they were Extreamly Necessary for Our Occasions here not One of [Our] Hoñble Masters Ships design'd for Us being yet Arrived.

The Owners of the Ship Queen of Hungary bo[und] to Negapatam have engag'd to Acquaint You of their A[rrival] and that You shall have the Refusal of that Ship's Load[ing] of Rice, which will be about 7 or 8000 Maunds at the Mar[ket] Price however at the same time they desire You will lodg[e] Letters there for the Supra Cargoes & inform them whether [they] will Purchase it or not.

The Gentlemen from Bombay Advise that [the] Hoñble Company's Ship the Warwick imported there the [...] Nov^{r}. as did the Severn from Mocha the 27th. following, & on [the] 9th. Dec^{r}. the Ilchester Arriv'd there directly from Great Br[itain] all which they say will be dispatch'd home in due ti[me].

We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
JOHN FORSTER.
A. DAWSON.
SAMUEL SHELDRAKE.
HUMPHRY BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.

FORT WILLIAM
21ST. FEBRY 1746/7.

P.S. Since writing the above Your Letter under Date the 1st. Instant ℔ Hossenbux Sloop is come to Hand.

N°. 26

To THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We wrote You last ℔ Ship Jenny under date [the] 21st. Ultimo, Duplicate whereof comes Enclos'd with Second [Bill] of Lading for three Chests of Treasure laden on board th[at] Ship.

We send this ℔ Ship Fort S^{t}. George & Enclose the Owners Contract for the Delivery of her Cargo of Rice upon [the] Terms We before Advis'd You of as also Invoice & Bill of [Lading] for a Chest of Treasure, One Hundred Bags Refin'd Salt [Petre] and fifty Maunds of Brimstone, the Freight whereof You [are] to Agree with the Captain.

The Owners of this Ship Fort S^{t}. George have la[den] on her 20 Leagers of Batavia Arrack and 50 or 100 Jars [of] which they have Promis'd shall be offer'd You on Your Terms.

Cap^{t}. Nenian Lowis being the Last person who arriv'd here from Bencoolen which he left in April last we have Enquir'd of him in what Condition he left that Settlement who informs us that then they were in want of nothing that we Could supply them with from hence & that they had plenty of Provisions of all kinds, as you may have had Lately advice from thence and are better inform'd of their Circumstances We must Leave it to you to Supply them, Should there be Occasion, and We have Engag'd the Owners of the Prince of Orange to Let you have that Ship on Such Terms as you and the Captain can agree upon if you Should think proper to use her;

Our Honourable Master's Ship[s] the Kent, Montfort, Salisbury and Marlborough were dispatched from Kedjerre on the 27th. Ult^{o}. directly for Europe.

We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN FORSTER.
A. DAWSON.
SAMUEL SHELDRAKE.
HUMPHREY BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

[FORT] WILLIAM
[MARCH] 5TH. 1747.

N°. 27

[To] THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
[DE]PUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF [FORT] S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We wrote you this day ℔ Fort S^{t}. George Duplicate whereof comes herewith and this goes ℔ Prince of Orange and Encloses the Owner's Contract for her Cargo of Rice agreable to what before wrote you also Invoice and Bill of Lading for 500 Maunds Lead 500 Maunds Iron and Ten Barrels of Tar the Freight whereof you are to Settle with the Captain, We wish her Safe to you and are,

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN FORSTER.
A. DAWSON.
" "
HUMPHREY BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

[FORT] WILLIAM
[MARCH] 5: 1746/7.

N°. 28

To THE WORSHIPFUL JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

We have received your Several favours of [the] 8[th. &] 24th. February acknowledging the Receipt of our's of the 27th. Decr. 5th. & 12th. [...] We are Sorry to hear of the Loss of our Honble Master's ship Princess A[melia] & could also wish his Majesty's Squadron had been upon the Coast [early] enough to have hinder'd the French Ships from getting upon the [Coast] of Mallabar, We have certain advices from Ballasore of the 10th. Feby. [that] the King's Ships were then Sail'd so that we make no doubt but [they be] with you before now. We have omitted no opportunity to acquaint [the] Gentlemen at Bengall, with your distresses and in the Last le[tter the] Prince receiv'd from the President which was dated the 25th. Jany. [wrote] him that he was Sending to Fort St. David great Guns, Powder, provi[sions] & Stores.

As the Time would not admit of Our Staying till [rice] could be brought us from the Country without greatly Exposing this [ship] to the risque of Losing her Passage; and none to be had in the Town ex[cep]ting a Cargo that was provided for another Conveyance We have thou[ght] proper to purchase the Same though at a dearer Rate than it might hav[e] procur'd in the Country if the Season had not been so far advanced howev[er we] hope your Worship &ct. will approve of it seeing the Ship must otherwise [have] remained here or been returned to you Empty.

By this Ship We have Sent your Worship &ct. 150[0] Peices of Gunneys, 5 Candies of Rope, & 1. Ca. 10 Mds. of Twine for which Com[e] Invoice and Bill of Lading as well as for the Rice and Paddy Shipped [on] board her.

As Mr. Prince has advanced for the Company's U[se] Thousand Madrass Pagodas and Ten thousand Rupees We hope it wil[l be] in your Worship &cts. power to make us a remittance shortly otherwise [we will] be much puzzled in another Month to raise money for the Expen[ce] of the Garrison, We are also to request your Worship &cts. Compliance [to] the Enclosed Indents Stores and Stationary Ware which We are [in] great want of.

Mr. Humphry Holcombe departed this Life th[...] Ultimo, As he Left no will we have disposed of his Effects at publi[c] Outcry which amounted (after paying his Funeral Charges & Ser[vants] Wages) to Rupees 185. 11. as he is indebted to the Warehousekeeper and [many] of the Town People for Necessaries they Supplied him with [a] Little before his Death We shall wait your Worship &cts. Pleas[ure] Concerning the aforementioned Sum.

Ensign Morgan takes his Passage upon this Ship with whom We have Sent 3 French Deserters that came into this Place a few Days past. We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

[VIZAGA]PATAM
[MAR]CH 13TH. 1746/7.

N°. 29

[To the] Worsh[l]. John Hinde Esq[r].
[Depu]ty Governour &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

Having wrote You fully by the Success who Sail'd hence the 14th. Instant, this serves to Inclose Duplicates thereof, and to Assure You We are very Respectfully

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

Richard Prince &c[a]. Council.

[Viza]gapatam
[Ma]rch 19th. 1746/7.

N°. 30

[To the] Worsh[l]. John Hinde Esq[r].
[Depu]ty Governour &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

We are sorry to Acquaint You that the Success after leaving this Place, and standing out to Sea, prov'd so leaky that She has been Oblig'd to put into Calingapatam, and as the Master informs Us the Leaks are in her Bows where he can't come at Them, and desiring Our Opinion what He had best to do, We have taken upon Us to Advise Him (seeing the Impossibility of getting the Ship here or repairing her where She is time enough to save her Passage this Monsoon) to Proceed directly to Ganjam as the next most Convenient Leeward Port and have Desir'd M[r]. Andrews to Unload Her with all Speed and take Charge of the Cargo till Your Worship &c[a]. shall be pleas'd to give Directions Concerning it. We have also thought Proper to Protest ag[st]. the Ship in behalf of Our Honble Masters for all Damages that the Cargo has or may Sustain by this Accident. Copy of which Protest comes Enclos'd. We are with Respect

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

Richard Prince &c[a]. as Above.

[Viza]gapatam
[...] March 1746/7.

N°. 31

To John Hinde Esq[r].
Deputy Governour &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Sir & Sirs

Since Our last We have Receiv'd Your Favour [of the] 17th. Ultimo, and are sorry to find therein that the Moors [have] Accommodated Matters with the French, but hope ho[wever] the Succours You may reasonably expect from Bengal[l may] Enable You to Defend Our Honble Masters Settlement [under] Your Direction.

The French Ships Mention'd in Your Letter [&] whose Arrival at Mahie We advis'd You in Our last [still con]tinue there, but it is said they intend to Sail in a few D[ays] where they are bound to We can't Say, but imagine eit[her to] the Islands or Pondicherry. There are no Ships in this [Coast] except two Macao Men.

The Lynn and Exeter for Bombay & China [and] likewise the Portfield for Mocha are not yet Arriv'd o[n this] Coast.

We shall pay the Principal due for the [Rice] and Timber provided by Order of Mr. Morse, and have a[greed] to write to Bombay concerning the Interest, and in Our [letter] shall advise You of the Quantity ready and the Partic[ular] Sums advanc'd on this Account, Agreable to the Orders [We have] have Receiv'd from Bombay. As to a Conveyance for carr[ying] it to Your Port, here is none to be Procur'd on this Par[t of] the Coast, but We shall mention it in Our next Advic[e to] Bombay.

We are

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

TELLICHERRY
MARCH THE 19TH. 1746/7.

GEORGE DUDLEY.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.
WILLIAM WEST.
HUGH SYMMONS.

N°. 32

[TO THE WORSHL. JO] HN HINDE ESQR.
[DEPUTY GOVER]NOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF [FO]RT ST. DAVID.

HONOURABLE SIR & SIRS

Your Honour &cts. Favour of the 22nd. Ultimo came to hand the 3rd. Instant Enclosing Copy of Coja Murza's receipt, he has hitherto desisted delivering me the Chay Goods, but has promised to do it as soon as his Original Obligation comes to my Hands.

The Nabob has withdrawn his Dalhoits and has allowed me a month & a half to Send his present in which if it is not, he intends Sending some Horsemen to me, so that I must absolutely be obliged to Comply with his Demands, but however I shall Endeavour to amuse him as Long as I am able.

I shall have due regard to what your Honr. &ct. are pleas'd to write concerning the Bales being Sent to Vizagapatam & must humbly ask your Pardon for having omitted acquainting you in my Last Letter of my having no turned out Cloth, but if your Honr. &ct. should think proper of Sending me any money I would venture to Get some Bales of good Cloth against August.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servt.

[MAZL]IPATAM
[...]APRIL 1747.

SAMUEL BANKS.

N°. 33

[TRANS]LATE OF A LETTER FROM THE
[GOVER]NOUR & COUNCIL OF NEGAPATAM
TEVENEPATAM.

[TO THE] HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR. GOVR. FOR THE HONBLE
[THE ENGLIS]H EAST INDIA COMPANY IN FORT ST. DAVID &CTL. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & VERY WORTHY FRIENDS

As the Honourable the high Government on the part of the States of the united Netherlands and the General Priviledged East India Company at Batavia, our high Superiours have again declared, that all Opium which is brought into these Seas to wit, Within the Streights of Sunda and through the Streights of Malacca, or which

happens to be found by Dutch Cruizers shall be deem'd in the strictest Sense as Contraband and seizable for all Persons that find or bring in the Same be it found in what [ships or] Vessels soever.

And also that from hence forward they will not Tolle[rate] any more any Trade in General even of the most indifferent things ex[cept] what is Carried on under Netherland or Dutch Passes at or upon such [Islands] with whose Natives and people the Netherland Company hath Long a[go] had Exclusive Contracts such as Java, Madura, Sumbawa and the other Is[lands] to the Eastward Borton, Saleyer, Celebes, Borneo, Banca, and all the in[...] of Sumatra with all other places where the Netherland's East India [Compy.] pretends solely to the Right of Navigating and Trading, Therefore We [have] the honour to Give your Honr. &ca. hereby a formal information th[at] according to the orders given us by our high Superiours abovement[ioned] to the End that your Honr. &ct. and your Subordinates may Guar[d against] Damage and have no plea from Ignorance.

In the mean Time we are & remain with due r[espect]

HONOURABLE SIR AND WORTHY FRIENDS

Your very humble and Obedient Servants

CASTLE OF NEGAPATAM.
4TH. MAY 1747 N.S.

(Sign'd) GALENUS MERSEN.
GE. Jo. FALCK.
C. L. V. DRENTELEN.
P. VANSON.
JAN MARLENSZ.
D. VICK.
GERRIT VAN VEEN.

N°. 34

TO THE WORSHL. JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CTA. COUNCIL AT FORT SI. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

We wrote you Last under the 23rd. January, Tripli[cate of] which is Enclos'd since which We have received your's of the 23rd. of [...] Month, and 20th. of Feby. Last.

About the 26th. of February five French Ships arr[ived] at Mahie, which We apprehend are the Same that Left your Co[ast] the 28th. of January they pass'd Angengo the 13th. February the [due] Notice of which being sent the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry, they Order'd Our Honble Masters Ships, Severn, Warwi[ck] and Ilchester who were taking in their Loadings for Europe, to Proceed to Goa till farther Orders, and they accordingly Sail'd then[ce] 22d.Febry, but as yet have not been heard of at Goa or elsewhere.

We shall not be unmindfull of Supplying You with Stores &ca. but being Apprehensive that these Advices are liable to be intercepted, We shall defer writing You fully till another Opportunity.

We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

[BOM]BAY CASTLE
[APRI]L 3D. 1747.

WILLIAM WAKE.
NATHANIEL WHITWELL.
WILLIAM SEDGWICKE.
THOMAS MARSH.
JOHN MUNRO.
ROBERT RAWDOH [*sic*].
RICHARD SANDERS.
GEORGE SCOTT.

N°. 35

[To Jo]HN HINDE ESQR.
[DEPUTY GOVE]RNOUR &CA. COUNCIL [OF] FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I wrote Your Honour &ca. of the 6th. Instant, Duplicate of which comes Enclos'd as also the Accounts for the Months of January, February, & March.

I am with much Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servant

SAMUEL BANKS.

[MUZ]LIPATAM
[APR]IL 16TH. 1747.

N°. 36

[TO THE] WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
[DEP]UTY GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

By the Stanhope who Arriv'd here the 23d. Instant We recd. Your Favour of the 18th. Advising of the Death of Mr. Hinde which gives Us the utmost Concern.

We have Receiv'd the Treasure, Stores, & Stationary Ware as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading therewith, and have followed You[r] Directions in sending a Chest of Rupees to Mr. Thomas Saunders, to whom We shall also send the Stores Design'd by the first Opportunity.

We are pleas'd to hear that the French have [been] once more disappointed in their Expectations. Their Agent[s have] been tampering with the Government of this Country [for] some Months Past, who seem very well disposed to favo[ur] any Designs that they may hereafter think Proper to [put] in Execution.

We are with Respect

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

VIZAGAPATAM
25TH. APRIL 1747.

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 37

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Mr. Hinde having intimated to me in several Letters the great Scarcity of Grain at Fort St. David, and [being] at that time uncertain of what Supplies He might Recei[ve from] the Bay, desir'd I woul'd send up all I cou'd Procure here, Wher[eupon] I immediately set about Providing Cargoes for five Vessels, [and] Accordingly Dispatch'd Them to Him, which I am infor[med] safe Arrived, as well as the Ship Stanhope with a Loadi[ng of] Rice from Bengal. As I shou'd not have risqued so Consid[erable] a Part of my Fortune at such a Critical Juncture, but [with] a View of Relieving Our Honble Masters Garrison that [was]

said to be in great Distress; I must beg leave to Recomm[end] the abovemention'd Rice & Paddy to Your Care, and Reque[st you] will dispose of it as soon as Possible, & Remit me the Prod[uce] by the first safe Conveyance.

I am with Respect.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Serva[nt]

VIZAGAPATAM
25TH. APRIL 1747.

RICHARD PRINCE.

N^{o}. 38

[TO THE WORSH^{L}.] JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
[DEPU]TY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We wrote You last under the 3^{d}. Instant Duplicate of which is Enclos'd, & on the 13th. Rec^{d}. Your Letters of the 8 & 9th. Ultimo.

The Severn, Warwick, & Ilchester imported here the 8th. Instant from Tellicherry not having been at Goa, & the Chief and Factors having since Advis'd Us that four of the French Ships had Sail'd from Mahie the 1st. Instant for Goa as they gave out, leaving there only their Prize Princess Mary, We Yesterday dispatched the Severn a full loaded Ship to Great Britain. The Ilchester now Proceeds to Tellicherry And

This You will Receive by the Warwick on whom & the Princess Augusta We now Consign You sundry Stores Amounting to Rupees 27650. 3. 87. as ℔ Invoice & Bills of Lading Enclos'd. We have likewise sent on these Ships a Reinforcement of Men Consisting of 70 European Soldiers including Officers who with 200 Good Topasses and 100 well train'd Sepoys go under the Command of Cap^{t}. Thomas Andrews a Good Officer, also Six Quarter Gunners under the Direction of M^{r}. Hugh Flinn a Man of Experience, & Our Gunner's first Mate. We have paid them to the End of this Month as ℔ Abstract Enclos'd, agreable to which You will Please to Pay them during their Continuance at Your Settlement, allowing them likewise their Provisions.

On the Warwick We have laden for the Bay 450 Bales of Cotton, She is likewise to take in at Tellicherry Eight Chests of Foreign Silver, any Part of which You may land for Your own Service, if wanted, or to Exchange for Arcot Rupees for Benga[ll] as may best suit Your own Occasions. You'll Please then to Dispatch Cap^{t}. Misener as beforemention'd, He having Our Directions to follow Your Orders for his further Proceedings.

We hope the Ilchester will be able to fill up for Europe at Tellicherry, as there are several Instances of Country Ships sail'd hence much later to take in their Cargoes there but shou'd the Badness of the Weather or Danger from the Enemy render it so that she cannot finally be dispatched from thence, the Chief & Factors have Our Directions to Send her to You either an Empty Ship or partly loaded, as may happen, in Order to be Dispatch'd Home directly from Your Port if You think Proper, with the Goods You write Us will remain on Hand, after the Britannia's Cargo is Compleat[ed in] which Case We desire the Deputy Governour will give Ca[pt^{n}.] Tedd Signals to be Observ'd in his Homeward bound [Passage] Otherwise You will Please to Send the Ship to be fill[ed up] at Anjengo as soon as the Season will Permit.

The Lynn Imported here the 13th. Instant [from] Great Britain, & will be dispatch'd very shortly to [...] She left the Exeter coming out of the Cape the 29th. Nov[^{r}. The] Ship We hope is arriv'd with You as She had not been [heard] of at Tellicherry the 4th. Instant. The Lynn likewise Pa[rted] Company from the Princess of Wales the 9th. Dec^{r}. in th[e] Latitude of 86.42 S.

If the Ilchester shou'd be dispatch'd from Te[llicher]ry to Your Port We have directed the Chief & Factors to Con[sign to] You the Sandal Wood provided there for the China Shi[p's]; shou'd she Proceed from thence to Europe, You will receive [it by] the Warwick or Princess Augusta if they can take it [in] it is Probable You may have an Opportunity of sendi[ng] thither before We can.

Enclosed We transmit Account Cost, Charges Wages & Victualling the Princess Augusta, also Inv[oice] of her Stores & Acc^{t}. Impress Money advanc'd her Peo[ple] a General Account Current with Your Settlement [amoun]ting to Rupees 78821. 2. 96. for which You'll Please to [charge] this Presidency.

On the Princess Augusta We have Shipp'[ed] Bags of Biscuit for the Use of His Majesty's Squadro[n] Amounting to Rupees 3617. 3. 6 as ℔ Account enclos'd w[hich] having been Paid here You'll please to Adjust with Co[mmodore] Griffin, all the Directions We have yet had from the [Hon'ble] Company on this Head, being to take their Bills at [the rate] of S. 6. D. 6 ℔ Weighty Dollar. We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your very Humble Servants

BOMBAY CASTLE
APRIL 30TH. 1747.

WILLIAM WAKE.
NATHANIEL WHITWELL.
THOMAS MARSH.
JOHN MUNRO.
ROBERT RAWDOH [*sic*].
RICHARD SAUNDERS.

N°. 39

[TO THE] WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
[DEPU]TY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

I am directed by the Hoñble the President & Council to Acquaint You of their having Sent You on this Ship Princess Augus[tus] sundry Stores Amounting to Rupees 27650. 3. 87 the Invoice of which You'll Receive by the Warwick, and Enclos'd is one of Cap^{t}: Jacob's Bills of Lading for the same. You will likewise Receive by this Ship a Gunner's Mate, Six Quarter Gunners, also One Hundred Seepoys with their Officers being Part of the Reinforcement of Men now sent to Your Settlement. I am

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your very Humble Servant

THOMAS HODGES *Secry.*

[BOM]BAY CASTLE
[...]TH: APRIL 1747.

N°. 40

[TO THE] WORSH^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
[DEPU]TY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your Favour of the 23^{d}. Instant is come to my Hands safe with the Six Letters Enclos'd Directed to the Commanding Officer on board any English Ship that may call here, which I shall take Particular Care of, and follow all the Instructions Specified in Your said Favour.

The Gov$^{r's}$. Letter to M^{r}. Mersen has Prevail'd upon Him to give Us his Assistance in the Landing the Treasure from the Hoñble Company's Ships that may Arrive here; but desires that this Affair may be Conducted with the utmost Secrecy, that His readiness to serve the Hoñble Company may not Involve Him in Trouble, which if it shou'd come to the French's Knowledge, it certainly would.

What Advices, or any Affair of Consequence I receive worth Your Notice, I will Dispatch to Your Worship &c^{a}. Council by Cattamarans, as the quickest & safest Conveyance.

I shall take Particular Care to Unlade the Treasure as fast as Possible, and to Prevent the Captains from loitering their Time in disposing of their Private Trade; but Dispatch Them Immediately to Your Port, in Case I hear of no French Ships being upon the Coast; and if they shou'd Dispute my Authority, I will shew them the Instructions Receiv'd from Your Worship & Council.

You may Depend upon my Care & Fidelity in regard [to the matter] You were Pleased to write me, and remain in Expectation of Your [Honour's] Commands.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

NEGAPATAM. Your most Obedient Humble Servant

30TH. MAY 1747. CHARLES NICHOLLS.

N°. 41

TO THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Our last went ℔ Ship Prince of Orange under the [...] Instant.

On the 11th. Instant Arriv'd Our Hoñble Masters Ship [Prin]cess of Wales, by Her We have Receiv'd a Packet for Madrass Presiden[cy] We open'd to see if it Contained any thing Proper for Our Knowle[dge] We now send it on the Sloop Clapham Cap^{t}. Pigeon Master with [...] Cask & One Chest of Medecines receiv'd from Ship Marlboroug[h] directed to Your Presidency.

This Ship Princess of Wales sail'd from Torbay the 27[th. Instant] in Company with the Lynn & Exeter both bound to Bombay, [...] Princess Amelia for this Place, the latter parted from her in [lat]titude 5°. North on the other side the Cape and has not been h[eard of] Since.

We desire when You have an Opportunity that [you will] Supply Us this Season with 400 Tons of Redwood for the Ken[tilage] of Our Honble Masters Ship, & are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

FORT WILLIAM Your most Humble Servants

16TH. MARCH 1746/7.

JOHN FORSTER.
A. DAWSON.
SAMUEL SHELDRAKE.
HUMPHRY BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

N°. 42

To the Worsh^l. John Hinde Esq^r.
Deputy Governour &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. David.

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

Herewith Comes Duplicate of what We wrote [under] Date of the 16^th. Instant ℔ Clapham Sloop.

Should any of Our Hoñble Masters Ships fall [into] Your Port, & have any Bullion on board for this Place, We desir[e] You will Change it into Arcot Rupees, if Procurable with Yo[u] We meet with great Delay & other Inconveniencies in being Obliged to Sell it to Futtichund's House. We are

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

[Fort W]illiam
[...] March 1746/7.

Your most Humble Servants
John Forster.
A. Dawson.
Samuel Sheldrake.
Humphry Bellamy.
William Kempe.
Robert Eyre.

N°. 43

[To the] Worshi^l. Charles Floyer Esq^r.
[Deputy] Governour &c^a. Council of [For]t S^t. David.

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

My last was the 10^th. of March, since which I have heard the Melancholy News of the Death of M^r. Hinde. M^r. Prince &c^a. Council of Vizagapatam have sent me an Invoice of Wares & Stores & 8000 Rupees, M^r. Hinde wrote me to prepare for making an Investment, which I have accordingly done. Madrass Pagodas are the Currency of this Place, and if Procurable wou'd be best, but I have Prevail'd upon the Merchants to take Rupees at the same Exchange, as the Uppara Merchants do of M^r. Prince, and they will Contract for 600 Bales by Christmas.

I shall wait Your Orders in Regard thereto, as also my Monthly Accounts, which are all ready to send when You Please to Direct.

I am

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

[Ingera]m.
[...]^th: 1747.

Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Thomas Saunders.

N°. 44

[To the] Worsh^l. Charles Floyer Esq^r.
[Depu]ty Governour &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. David.

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

Inclosed comes Duplicate of what We wrote You under Date the 25^th: Ultimo, since when We have Receiv'd Your Favour of the 22^d. April ℔ Sloop Occident Covering Invoice & Bill of Lading for Six Chests of Rupees which have been deliver'd Us agreable thereto and We shall Supply the Gentlemen at the other Factorys as You have directed, what further Money You may be able to Spare Us, We shou'd be glad to have it in Pagodas for We can employ few or no Rupees at Uppara, where the Manufacture has been esteemed better than that to the Northward of Us.

As this Garrison is in great Want of Cannon, We [hope that] after the Arrival of the expected Shipping, You will be [able to] Supply Us with, as well as with the other Stores & Wares [We have] now Indented for. We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

VIZAGAPATAM

MAY 7TH. 1747.

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 45

TO THE WORSH^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

SIR & SIRS,

We are now to Acknowledge the Receipt of Your [Letter] of the 23^{d}. Ultimo with the Packet for Anjengo which We sha[ll send] thither this Evening.

We Congratulate M^{r}. Charles Floyer on his Succ[eeding] to the Government of Fort S^{t}. David in which We wish him [Success].

On the 13th. Instant by a Pattamar Boat which [was] Dispatch'd to Us by Cap^{t}. Collier in the Severn We were Adv[ised of] the Arrival of the Ships Ilchester and Warwick, with the [...] Captain Jacobs off Mount Dilly, who waited for Intelli-ge[nce of] the French Ships. The Ilchester was to have been Dispatch[ed by] Us to Your Port, (in case the Weather prevented Our Loadin[g it] for Europe) with Sandall Wood & Pepper, and the Warwick [from] Bengal, but those Ships have not touch'd here, nor can [tell] where they are, though We have sent out Boats for that [Purpose] wherefore imagine as the Weather has for two Days been [Stormy] & threatning, that they have put off for Your Port, where [you will] have the Disposal of Them.

As the People left here by the Ships Severn, Ilc[hester] and Warwick, must now remain all the Rains, We desire Y[ou to] ask the Commanders of those Ships whether We shall keep [them] here, or send them to Anjengo for their taking in there in [the] Month of July or August, of which please to Advise Us [as soon] as Possible.

Enclos'd You will receive a Packet from the Honb[ble] President & Council of Bombay: The Ilchester's Charter Party Letter from the Governour of Bombay which We were D[esired] to forward to You by the first Opportunity. We are

SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

[TELLIC]HERRY.

[MARCH] 21ST. 1747.

WILLIAM WEST.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.
HUGH SYMMONS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
NICHOLAS STONESTREET.

N°. 46

[To the] Worsh[l]. John Hinde Esq[r].
[Depu]ty Governour &c[a]. Council [of] Fort S[t]. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

We have receiv'd Your Favour of the 24[th]. Febry, & are Extreamly glad to learn that Our Hoñble Masters Ship Britannia is safe with You, & sincerely Concern'd for the Capture of the Princess Amelia what We wrote You by the Squadron and several other Conveyances will We doubt not Convince You that it was not Our Fault that the Squadron was not Arrived sooner on the Coast and that We supply'd You with what You Requested as soon as Prudence wou'd Admit; With Regard to the Britannia We must leave it to You to Act with her as You shall Judge most for Our Hoñble Masters Interest, as You are best Judges of the Occasion You may have for her, but as by the Loss of the Princess Amelia We are depriv'd of the Treasure design'd Us by Her, and are in the Utmost Necessity for Money for Our Investment, We must desire that You will Supply Us soon as Possible with as much of the Treasure imported by the Britannia as You can spare from Your own Occasion, and this We judge highly Conducive to Our Hoñble Masters Interest, and shou'd any other of Our Hoñble Masters Ships fall in at Your Port, We think their Treasure ought to be sent to Us, the Company's Credit at this Place greatly depending upon Our being speedily Supplied and whatever Sum You may Send Us, let it be in Arcot Rupees if Procurable.

Your Bill in favour of Mess[rs]. Fytche & Burrows for Curren[t] Rupees 11178. has been Accepted by Us, & shall be duly Discharg'd.

On the 5[th]. Instant Our Hoñble Masters Ship the Houghton Cap[t]. Isaac Worth imported here, last from Bencoolen & brought Us a Letter for the Gov[r]. & Council at Fort S[t]. George Copy whereof with the Indent comes Enclos'd. Please to Advise Us if You have or will Supply them, or if You would [have] them Supplied from hence at the Proper Season.

This Ship Houghton brought a Packet of Lett[ers from] the Presidency of Fort S[t]. George, being a Duplicate of the [Salis]bury's. and shall be sent You by the first Opportunity [it] Offers, Her Cargoe & Treasure We shall make Use of here [as our] Hoñble Masters Directed.

We have Examin'd Cap[t]. Worth concerning his [leaving] Your Port so abruptly in Dec[r]. & Enclos'd is Copy of the Reasons [he] has given Us.

Several small Parties of Morattoes have been [wan]dering for sometime between Ballasore & Nuddea, so[me] larger Parties are said to be soon coming which will [be of] infinite Prejudice to this Province, in all other Resp[ects they] Remain in the same Situation as when We wrote You last, & [are]

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

Your most Humble Servants

Fort William
April 16[th]. 1747.

John Forster.
A. Dawson.
Samuel Sheldrake.
Humphry Bellamy.
William Kempe.
Robert Eyre.

N°. 47

To the Honble Nicholas Morse Esq^r^.
President and Governour of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. and Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By the Hoñble Company's Ship Sumatra & Snow [Brilli]ant We transmitted Your Honour &c^a^. Our Advices at large [of the] Date of the 15^th^. July last, thô the said Vessels did not Sail [till the] 18^th^. being detain'd by the hard Northerly Winds which Pre[vented] the Commanders from getting on board with their Necessaries [We] take the Liberty to Address Your Honour &c^a^. by Our Hoñble [Master's] Ship Houghton Cap^t^. Isaac Worth Commander who Saild from [hence] the 7^th^. May last in Company with the Salisbury Cap^t^. Chris[topher] Burrows both bound for Coast & Bay from which Vessel He w[as caught in] a Gale of Wind on the 17^th^. June in the Latitude of Four D[egrees] North, and has not seen any thing of her since.

Upon his Arrival on this Coast He endeavoured to [go to] the Northward, but finding it Impracticable with his sickly [Crews] Company, upwards of Sixty of whom were unable to stand the D[istress] being in want of Water, was Obliged to put in here on the 28^th^. Ul[timo as] well for Refreshments, as to Recover his People, wherein We have given him all the Assistance in our Power.

Cap^t^. Worth reports that on the 16^th^. April the following Ships sail'd from England Viz^t^. the Sandwich Cap^t^. Petre, & the Tavistock Cap^t^. [Thomas] Coates, both for China, the Marlbrô Cap^t^. Smith mostly laden with King's Stores for Coast & Bay, The Montfort Cap^t^. Hanslapp for the Madeiras, & Coast & Bay, & the Warwick Cap^t^. Misener for Bombay The Shaftsbury Cap^t^. Bookey sail'd for China a single Ship the beginning of April, and just before the Houghton left Plymouth, Advice came that the Britannia Cap^t^. Somner, for Coast & Bay, & the Ilchester Cap^t^. Tedd for Bombay were both arriv'd at Portsmouth where they lay waiting for a Convoy, It was also said that more Ships were taken up for the different Parts of India.

The Somerset Cap^t^. Thomas Tolson Commander Consign'd to S^t^. Helena and this Place arriv'd with Us the 7^th^. Ultimo We used all Expedition in Unloading & dispatching Her for the Northw[ard] and she Sail'd for Mocho Moco, the 2^d^. Instant by which Conveyance W[e] sent the Resident a large Supply of Chunam Stone & other Necessaries, the taking in of which and fifty Tons of Pepper protracted the time, or she wou'd have been sent away.

The said Ship receiv'd at Moco Moco Eighty five Tons of Pepper which is Considerably more than the last Season's Produce althô still short of Preceeding Years, and We have good Hopes to believ[e] that the Quantity will Yearly increase, for which End, We have wrote [many] very Pressing Letters to the Sultan. The Pepper of Bantal is also Shipp'd off, and by Our last Advices the Somerset was at Ippoe, from whence & the other Settlements, We hope She will meet wit[h] a Quick Dispatch.

In a Letter which We receiv'd a few Days ago from th[e] Resident of Moco Moco, We have the Pleasure to read that He has [had] an Assurance of an Encrease this Year at all the Places in the Sultan's Dominions, Which We beg leave to Assure Your Honou[rs] &c^a^. We shall endeavour to Encourage & Promote to the Utmost o[f] Our Power, & We are now Preparing to give the Somerset a time[ly] Dispatch for Europe.

That Ship's not bringing Us any Military or Store[s] from England has been a great Disappointment to Us, havin[g] Oblig'd Us to put a Stop to the Selling of Stores, those on Hand bein[g] but a Necessary Reserve for the Hoñble Company's Use. We therefore beg leave to trouble Your Honour &c^a^. with a Copy of Our las[t] Indent, whereto We have subjoin'd an Additional One for su[ch] further Articles as We find in immediate Demand.

We have also by this Ship wrote to Bengal, and [enc]los'd to the Gentlemen there, an Indent for such Particulars a[s] are Procurable at that Place, that in Case

Our Indent to Your Honour &c[a]. for Bay Goods shou'd not have Reach'd Them or there shou'd be any Conveyance immediately for this Coast, We might be sooner supplied. This Caution was the more Necessary as Our Stock of Rice is low, and We have been Oblig'd to reduce the Slaves, as usual upon these Occasions in their Allowance. The Market Price Continues much the same as by Our last Advices, and We are still Unwilling to Distress the Inha[bi]tants by making Purchases in the Country.

As the Hoñble Company's Limits are now extend[ed] and the Demand for Salt much larger than ever, Your Hon[ours] &c[a]. will Observe We have enlarged Our Request for that Profitable Article, as We are depriv'd of the usual Supplies from Jav[a] and humbly Recommend it to Your Compliance.

Our Hoñble Masters in the 29[th]. Paragraph of their Commands to Us have Order'd the Rev[d]. M[r]. Fordyce to Proceed to Madrass & Officiate as one of their Chaplains there. The following is the Paragraph, a Copy of which they have directed Us to transmit Your Honour &c[a].

" We direct that the Rev[d]. M[r]. Francis Fordyce take Passage to Fort S[t]. " George by the first Conveyance that Offers, in Order to Officiate as one of Our " Chaplains at that Settlement We having Appointed him to the said Station, and " You must Transmit thither An Attested Copy of this Paragraph along with M[r]. " Fordyce for Him to Produce to Our President & Council who on Sight thereof " are hereby Order'd to Entertain him Accordin[g]ly on his first Arrival there.

Eight of the Lascars who went Home on the Winchelsea and were return'd Passengers on this Ship, being willing to remain here in the same Capacity, We have entertain'd Them as such, and they will be very usefull as some of Them are good Helmsmen.

We have only to mention to Your Honour &c[a]. the several Parts of the Coast Continue in a Peacefull Situation, especially Pooloo Pesang, which Settlement the Hoñble Company have in Answer to Our Representations upon that Head, dir[ec]ted Us to Protect and ma[i]ntain, esteeming the Pretensions which the Sultan of Bantam and the Dutch in His Favour Claim to that Part of the Coast as little Valid as His Title to Bencoolen.

Having so lately transmitted Our General Advices, We beg leave to Conclude.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

JOSEPH HURLOCK.
ISAAC BARBUTT.
WALTER CHURCHEY.
JOHN MASSEY.
CHARLES SMITH.

[FOR]T MARLBRÔ.
OCT[R]. 29[TH]. 1746.

N°. 48

TO CHARLES FLOYER ESQ[R].
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C[T]. COUNCIL AT FORT S[T]. DAVID.

GENTLEMEN

Our last advices to you were under the 7[th]. Instant Duplicate of which We now Enclose, likewise Copy of the receipt Becaun Caun Subedar of the Seepoys we Sent you, gave us for the money we advanc'd him, whereby you will perceive that in Case of any of his People's non Arrival he makes himself liable to reimburse their Pay. He Likewise received orders from us to Enlist for your Service such able bodied Men as he Might [*sic*] with in his way.

The Enclosed Packet for the Honourable President & Council of Bombay we desire you will forward to them with all Expedition and that for Bengall by the first Opportunity.

We are,

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servants

TELLICHERRY

JUNE THE 15TH. 1747.

WILLIAM WEST.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.
HUGH SYMMONS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
NICHOLAS STONESTREET.

N°. 49

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

GENTLEMEN

We have received your Favour of the 18th. of May the 2nd. Instant, and agreeable to your Request we now Send of our own Garrison two hundred Twenty five Seepoys including Officers being as many as we could prevail on to proceed to your Place which We should have done before had they been sooner perswaded, in order to have shewn our readiness to assist you, imagining those our Chief Promis'd to procure from Mangulore (in a private Letter to Mr. Floyer the 18th. Ultimo) might not Get time Enough for the Service they may be intended. these now Sent have been advanc'd two Months Pay as ℔ List Enclosed and Rupees nine hundred & sixteen for Diet money in their Passage, and if you should want a further assistance, We shall Exert ourselves on the occasion, and are

SIRS

Your most humble Servts.

TELLICHERRY.

JUNE 7TH. 1747.

WILLIAM JEYNSON.
WILLIAM WEST.
HUGH SYMMONS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
NICHOLAS STONESTREET.

N°. 50

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID &CT. COUNCIL

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Under date of the 31st. March I acquainted Mr. Hinde the Ship Success having Sprung a Leak was by order of Mr. Prince & Council unlading her Cargo here, the 15th. April I inform'd him that the Water on this Barr was not Sufficient to bring her into this River, and at the same time wrote the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam and Mr. Saunders, but not receiving any peremptory Answer from them, and there being no other River but Bengall where She could be accommodated I thought it most adviseable (Considering the Long Time she has Lain here, the Condition she was in, the Danger she was hourly Expos'd to in this road, and the hazard, she run of being picked up by any of the Enemy's Ships that might be bound to the Bay) to dispatch her there, with a Letter to the President and Council, She accordingly Sailed this Day, what further relates her I presume they will be inform'd of from

you, as she may be provided with a Cargoe where She is Gone, on Better Terms, than that She Landed here, part of which has been Wet, I wait your orders concerning it, whether you would have it Sold or not, (it bears a good price here at present) in the former Case, you will be pleas'd to order Mr. Prince to send me Copy of the Invoice.

I took the Liberty to mention my want of money in a former Letter, Cotton is now Cheap, and if you Could Spare me a Supply of Rupees soon I might be able to do something before the year is out.

I am with great Respect,
WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. and most humble Servant
JOHN ANDREWS.

GANJAM
MAY 15TH. 1747.

No. 51

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT STT. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Inclos'd is Duplicate of my Last of the 13th. May, as I have not heard from your Honr. &ct. lately I have only to request a further Compliance with the List of Wares and Stores sent you and the accounts of the Sortment of the Ingeram Cloth which will Enable me to close the Books, the 28th. Ultimo arriv'd at Yanam Monsieur De Preminee it is reported designing for Bengall.

I am
WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servt.
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
JUNE 6TH. 1747.

No. 52

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR [*sic*] &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your general Letter of the 23rd. April and it's Duplicate, and original of the 18th. May are come Safe to hand viâ Tellicherry, We Lament the Death of that worthy Gentleman Mr. Hinde, and Congratulate Mr. Floyer in his Accession to the Government, in which we wish him all imaginable Success.

With Concern we hear of the misfortunes, which have attended the Exeter, and shall be Glad to hear that she got safe to some Port to save the remainder of her men, Captain Charles Gilbert in the Lynn, who was at ye. Cape with the Exeter, arrived here the 19th. Feby. and got safe to Bombay & saild from thence for China in April.

Nothing of Consequence offers at present to advise you of, when there does you may depend of having the Earlier Intelligence.

We must request that you will forward the Accompanying Packet with all Expedition to the Honble the President & Council of Bombay.

We are,
WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
RICHARD BOURCHIER
[THOMAS] PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.

ANJENGO.
JUNE 29TH. 1747.

N°. 53

To the Wo. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr &cr. Council at Fort Str. David.

Sir & Sirs

Conformable to the Directions of the Chief & Council at Tellicherry, I have procur'd four Pattarahs for Guides to Becan Caun and the Sepoys under his Command, and now dispatch them to you.

One of the Sepoys by name Caver Mahomet being Lame the Subedar is oblig'd to Leave him at this Place, as he is not able to proceed farther I am, Sir & Sirs, Your most humble Servants [*sic*].

Alexander Douglas.

Callicut
June 14th. 1747.

N°. 54

To the Worshipful Charles Floyer Esqr.
Governour of Fort St. David &cr. Council.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

We have received advice from Tellicherry that the four Sail of French Ships which Left Mahie the 1st. of April are arrived at Goa, & that they give out they shall be Join'd by Monsr. de la Bourdonnais with a Squadron from the Islands in August next. They Say nothing of where they may be destined, when we have any accounts of their motions We shall not fail to advise you and We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servts.
Richard Bourchier.
[Thomas] Pattle.
Francis Fowke.

Anjengo.
July 9th. 1747.

N°. 55

To THE WORSH^L^. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.
DEPUTY GOV^R^. &C^T^. COUNCIL AT FORT S^T^. DAVID.

WORSHIPFUL SIR & SIRS

We wrote you Last under the 30th. April ℔ Warwick and Princess Augusta which Ships We Hope arriv'd in due Time with the Reinforcement of Men & Stores we Sent on them for the Service of your Settlement.

On the 14th. Instant came to hand your Letters of the 23rd. and 25th. April and on the 18th. that of the 18th. Ult°.

The Severn Sailed hence fully Loaded the 2nd. Ult°. for great Britain, And the Ilchester at the Same Time proceeded for Tellicherry in order to be filled up for Europe, Otherwise to be dispatch'd thence to your Settlement as the Season of the year and other Circumstances might Govern, of which We have wrote you fully in our abovemention'd Advices, but which We chuse to avoid repeating here as this is more liable to be Intercepted.

The Lynn imported here the 13th. April from Great Britain & Sail'd for China on the 11th. Ult°.

Four of the French Ships that arriv'd from Mihie in February Last from your Coast, were at Goa on the 16th. Ult°, where they are to Stay during the Wet Season, Their Prize Princess Mary sail'd from Mihie the 8th. April, as was Said, for Mauritius having taken in only some Provisions there. We Learn likewise by Advices from Surat that a French Ship arrived at Gogo in the beginning of this Month, She is said to be 700 Tons & has on board 300 Men, which is all We yet know of her.

What was necessary in regard to the Grabs has been wrote to your Settlement & the Sloop is not yet return'd from Bussorah, She is much wanted for the Service of Anjengo but if She is absolutely necessary for that of your Settlement acquaint us so in your next Advices & she shall be Sent to you.

We observe the Exeter is gone to Bengall, her Cargo according to the Honble Company's orders to us was to Consist of Cotton Putchuck Pepper with such other articles as are proper for the China Market & the Stock to be made up with Foreign Silver to the amount of Rupees One hundred sixty Thousand (160,000) But as that Ship cannot proceed to China till the next Season We doubt not but you have Loaden the Sandall Wood, if receiv'd, on some other of the Company's Ships bound thither.

We are,

WORSH^L^. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Serv^ts^.
WILLIAM WAKE.
NATHANIEL WHITWELL.
THOMAS MARSH.
JOHN MUNRO.
ROBERT RAWDOH [*sic*].
RICHARD SANDERS.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 21^ST^. JUNE 1747.

N°. 56

To Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Deputy Governour &c^t^. Council at Fort S^t^. David.

Gentlemen

Your favour of the 19^th^. June came to Hand the 9^th^. Instant by which we are glad to find the Ships from this Coast are safely arrived with you, and that the Supplies by them were so Seasonable.

As yet it is impracticable to Send the People belonging to the Ships Ilchester and Warwick on account of the Season, but will Send them by the first proper opportunity, agreable to your request.

We are glad to hear of the arrival of the Swift Snow from Europe and are oblig'd to you for the news She brought.

We are,

Gentlemen,

Your most humble Servants

William West.
William Jeynson.
Hugh Symmons.
John Robinson.
Nicholas Stonestreet.

Tellicherry
July 13^th^. 1747.

P.S. Please to Enclose our Packet for Europe in your's.

N°. 57

To the Worship^L^. Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Governour [*sic*] of Fort S^t^. David &c^t^. Council.

Worsh^L^. Sir & Sirs

By our Honourable Master's Ship Lapwing we were favoured with your Worship &c^ts^. Letter of the 15^th^. Ult^o^. advising us of the Surrender of Madrass in a more particular manner than we had before rec'd that unhappy news, Captain Worth who had been here for refreshments in the Month of October last & sail'd for the Fort returned again the beginning of January being apprehensive of the safety of your Settlement, as he & his Officers were in Doubt where [*sic*] the Letter wrote by M^r^. Hinde was genuine or not, upon his arrival we Endeavoured to send advice to our Honble Masters by dispatching a Sloop immediately to the Somersett then at Manna, but that Ship to our great Disappointment was Dispatch'd to Europe & had sail'd before the Sloop could reach her, after a few Days stay the Houghton proceeded again for Bengal, where we hope she is safely arrived.

It is a peculiar pleasure to us that Fort S^t^. David is still in Safety notwithstanding the Attempts the French have made & We hope the presence of his Majesties Squadron will keep them in awe till you have put yourselves in a good posture of Defence, On our parts we are fortifying ourselves as fast as our small number of Workmen will admit & have rais'd a platform near the North Bastion of Large Cannon, for the Defence of the small road & to prevent an Enemy's Landing at Marlborough, our west Bastion is almost finished except the Magazine the Arches of which are now on hand, & will be Compleated as soon as possible, but it is our misfortune to have no person capable of Conducting the several other necessary works by which this Place might be render'd very defensible and which we propose to represent to our Honourable Masters by the Lapwing that Ship is now taking in her pepper for Europe.

This comes by our Master's Ship Bombay Castle Capt. Thomas Browne Commander bound for Bengal who put in here the 6th. Inst. for advices and staid to receive some Copper brought out by the Norfolk for Madrass, which latter having heard of the Loss of our Presidency came directly hither in order to proceed unto Benjar, but the Situation of our affairs there, at which Place an entire stop is put to all Trade by the Dutch, who have now blockaded the Port with a Squadron of Ships & Declared that the Commander had orders to admit no Vessel whatever to Enter the road of Benjar obliged us to alter her Voyage & have accordingly consigned her to China with the Treasure & Lead intended for Madrass as the most advantageous Voyage for our Honourable Masters since these several unlucky Disappointments. We have therefore Transported the Copper aforemention'd as ℔ Copy of the Bill of Lading enclosed & consign'd the same with Twenty Barrels of Tar to the Gentlemen at Bengal not imagining that the Bombay Castle would have gone to your Place We had also prepar'd our several advices in this View, but Capt. Browne having just as We were signing them communicated the Contents of your Letter directed to the Commander of any Ship bound to the Coast and Bay & Desired our opinion we agreed to recommend his punctual Complyance with the said Letter as you represent the want of Stores &ct. and as we at present Esteem Fort St. David the securest port in India by the presence of the Squadron but Capt. Browne Declaring he could not answer going without an order from us, as his intended Consignment was to Bengal, We came to a resolution to give him such an order & have accordingly Dispatched him to your Worship &ct., We think it highly for the safety of this Ship & the Honble Company's Effects that he should Touch at Fort St. David if it were only for Intelligence as it is not impossible but the French may have their Cruizers hovering about Point Palmeiras or Ballasore.

We are much obliged to your Worship &ct. for the articles sent us by the Lapwing & the further assistance promis'd by the Sloop, but as we are ignorant what those Supplies may Consist of We have requested the Gentlemen of Bengal to Comply with our former Indent by the Houghton with a regard to their Advices from your Worship &ct. our said pacquet is Committed to Capt. Browne's Charge who has Directions to Deliver it to your Worship &ca in case you may judge it necessary to peruse the Contents in order to regulate our future Supplies.

The Bombay Castle brought out Twenty Soldiers for Fort St. George which our necessities obliged us to Detain having had no Recruits to Signify for several Seasons past and being Disappointed of seventeen which were Carried to China by the Onslow from Benjar, By the Norfolk indeed we received Thirty men which came very Seasonably for before we had barely sufficient to Do the necessary Duties of the Place much less to Defend it against an Enemy, the Garrisons of Moco Moco & Pooloo Pesang are in a very distressed Condition to which Settlements We must send reinforcements tho' We can ill Spare them, We are also much obliged to your Worship &ct. for the recruit of Lascars.

When Capt. Browne Left the Cape, the Somersett from this place, the Pelham from Bengall, & the Essex from Fort St. David were arrived & ready to Sail for Europe, the Portfield for Mocha, with the Norfolk & Bombay Castle were Detained near three Months by two French men of War the Apollo and Anglesea which Came in just as they were on the point of Sailing & Continued all that Time cruizing to Intercept our Shipping but We hope they have all Escaped them they had 1000 Men on board.

We are Sorry Capt. Browne Delayed making known the Contents of the aforesaid Letter so long as it has Deprived us from returning more ample answer to your Worship &ct. advices. which we should gladly have Done, We must therefore wait a more favourable Occasio[n] which We hope will be by the return of the Sloop intended us. We have mention'd as your Worship &ct. will please to observe in our Letter to Bengal that We shall have upon a Calculation about 600 Tons of Pepper ready for this Seasons Shipping Exclusive of what Sent home on the Lapwing.

We heartily wish your Worship &c^{t}. all Success in the HONOURABLE COMPANY'S affairs under your Managem^{t}. and are,

FORT MARLBRO'
JUNE 30TH. 1747.

Your most humble Servants,
JOSEPH HURLOCK.
ISAAC BARBUT.
CHARLES SMITH.
HENRY COATES.

N°. 58

TO THE WORSH^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
GOVERNOUR [*sic*] OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID &C^{T}. COUNCIL.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Since writing our Former Letter Captain Browne upon going on board found he had sufficient room in his ship to receive the remaining pitch & Tarr brought by the Norfolk, which as he offered to take it in, We sent off, imagining it would be very acceptable at Bengal or at Fort S^{t}. David, of this We have acquainted the Hoñble the President & Council in a Letter apart, Inclosing Invoice of the amount, our said Letter is in the general pacquet which if it is necessary your Worship &c^{t}. will please to open. We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Serv^{ts}.
JOSEPH HURLOCK.
ISAAC BARBUT.
CHARLES SMITH.

FORT MARLBRO'
JULY 2ND. 1747.

N°. 59

TO THE WORSH^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL AT FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

GENTLEMEN

The Pattamar which you Dispatched the 7th. Ins^{t}. arrived with us the 21st. following whom we now send back to acquaint you we have come to a resolution to remit you if possible by Bills on Arcot to the amount of the Eight Chests of foreign Silver which you requested tho' if we are not able to procure them we have no view of hiring a Vessel at this place to Serve your occasions or can we Send the Seamen belonging to the Europe Ships unless a Conveyance offers accidentally in which Case you may depend on our Complyance.

On the 18th. Ins^{t}. a Sloop arrived at Mahie who had Six Europeans and a few Lascars in her, they gave out that she Came from Goa, but we are sure she Came from the Mauritius, Several of their people we Learn't died in their passage for want of water & Provisions.

On the 21st. Instant a snug Ship of Thirty Guns & about 120 Europeans arrived likewise there, who gave out she Came from Mocha but We imagine she Came from the Islands, and may be one of the Fleet of Twelve Ships which they give out they expect from thence she has as yet Landed nothing but a packet which was forwarded by them to Goa, being as we suppose Directions to the Commanders of the four men of war of their's now wintering there, who we hear have Lost a considerable part of their Men & are not in a good Condition for the Sea.

Enclosed you will receive a Letter For Commodore Griffin from the Viceroy of Goa which pray forward to him as soon as possible & return us this Pattamar with such Advices as you may have to Communicate as we are very anxious to Learn your Proceedings.

This Pattamar told us that he met the Seepoys we sent you in his way hither, within Two Days march of your Place.

We heartily wish you Success and are

GENTLEMEN,

TELLICHERRY
JULY 24. 1747.

Your most humble Servts.

WILLIAM WEST.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.
HUGH SYMMONS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
NICHS. STONESTREET.

Nº. 60

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

As I am deprived of the pleasure of hearing from your Worship &ct. by the Jane Capt. Lutton who has unluckily oversho[t] her Port, this is to advise that as this Situation of affairs is very precarious I have sent my last year's Books with my Journal Parcels & Cash Accounts to remain at Vizagapatam till I receive your Directions to Transmit them to you, Inclosed is Duplicate of my Last.

I am

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servant

INGERAM
JULY 14: 1747.

THOMAS SAUNDERS.

Nº. 61

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT STD. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Captain Lowis of the Fort St. George who call'd here the 6th. Inst. informing us of your having sent money for this Place & Ingeram upon the Jane Capt. Lutton, we are apprehensive (not having as yet heard any thing of her) that she has overshot the port, but as we have had no bad weather hope she is safe arriv'd at the Bay from whence we have requested of the President & Council to send what you design'd us by her as soon as possible.

There not being water enough upon Ganjam Bar for the Ship Success to go into that river she has been oblig'd to proceed to Bengal to repair which we Doubt not but Mr. Andrews has Long since acquainted you with. We are with respect

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedt. humble Servants

VIZAGAPATAM
13TH. JULY 1747.

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 62

To the W°. Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Deputy Gov^R^. &c^T^. Council at Fort S^T^. David.

Sir & Sirs

Our last advices to you were under the 24^th^. Ultimo Duplicate of which we now Enclose being an answer to your's of 6^th^. July, & since that Time we have heard nothing from you.

We sent from this place the 15^th^. Ins^t^. two proper persons to Pallecattacherry & Ponda with a Commission to get Bills from the Merch^ts^. & Braminees there on Arcot in your favour to the Amount of sixty two Thousand Rupees (62,000 Rup^s^.) that sum being very near the value of the Eight Chests of foreign Silver, & we hope they will succeed as we have directed them to go as far as five ℔ Cent Premium the money to be repaid here by us on your advising receipt thereof.

In a day or two we shall Dispatch a Subedar with one hundred twenty nine Sepoys to your assistance who have been advanc'd two month's pay & Diet for their passage as ℔ List enclos'd which sum with the am^t^. of what before sent We Desire you will Credit Bombay Presidency for as we Debt them for the same on our Books.

The Ship & Sloop which we mention'd in our las[t] Advices are still at Mahie and the former we are Certain came from France this Season & after a very short stay at the Mauritius Came here, the four Men of war were at Goa the 30^th^. of June.

We beg Leave to repeat our request of hearing from you frequently as you shall from us on anything offering worth Notice. We are

Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants,
William West.
William Jeynson.
Hugh Symmons.
John Robinson.
Nic^s^. Stonestreet.

Tellicherry
Aug^T^. 18^TH^. 1747.

N°. 63

To the Worsh^L^. Charles Floyer Esq^R^
Gov^R^. [*sic*] &c^T^. Council at Fort S^T^. David.

Worsh^L^. Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to what we wrote you under date the 9^th^. July that we should give all necessary Encouragem^t^. for getting to you a Large supply of rice we have Contracted with the Owners of Ship Jenny for 3500 Bags more or Less & Enclos'd send you Copy of the Owners Contract by which you will observe the Terms which we were oblig'd to Come to with them with regard to unloading the Ship which if not perform'd in 12 Days after her arrival the rice rem^g^. on board to be on the Company's acc^t^.

On this Ship We have Laden 32 Bales of Gunnies on our Hoñble Master's acc^t^. Invoice & Bill of Lading for the same are enclos'd.

We are

Worsh^L^. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Serv^ts^.
John Forster.
John Jackson.
A. Dawson.
Hum: Bellamy.
William Ke[mpe].
Robert Eyre.

Fort William
1^ST^. Aug^T^. 1747.

N°. 64

To the W°. Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Gov^R^. [*sic*] &c^T^. Council at Fort S^T^. David.

Worsh^L^. Sir & Sirs

Agreable to what we wrote you under date the 9^th^. July that We should give all necessary Encouragem^t^. for getting to you a Large supply of Rice We have Contracted with the Owners of Ship William for 2000 Bags more or Less & Enclos'd send you Copy of the Owner's Contract by which you will observe the Terms which we were oblig'd to come to with them with regard to unloading the ship which if not perform'd in 12 Days after her arrival the Rice rem^g^. on board to be on the Company's acc^t^.

We are

Worsh^L^. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Serv^ts^.

Fort William
Aug^T^ 1^st^. 1747.

John Forster.
John Jackson.
A. Dawson.
Hum: Bellamy.
William Kempe.
Robert Eyre.

N°. 65

To the W°. Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Gov^R^. [*sic*] of Fort S^T^. David &c^T^. Council.

Worsh^L^. Sir & Sirs

By our Honourable Master's Ship Bombay Castle We wrote your Worship &c^t^. a Letter in Acknowledgement of the several Supplies receiv'd by the Lapwing, & in Answer to your Letter by that Ship We have since been favour'd with your's of the 23^rd^. May by the Fanny Sloop Enclosing Duplicates of the Lapwing's Pacquet with Invoice and other papers mention'd in the List.

We are sorry to acquaint your Worship &c^a^. that the Rice by the said Sloop proves so very bad, that We beleive We shall find much Difficulty to make even our Slaves receive it A great part being rotten & Clotted together the Gue was also in a bad Condition & the Gunny Bags so much spoil'd & indifferent that they will be of little Service to us We Call'd upon the master of the Sloop to know how this Damage arose, who acquaints us that the rice rec'd no hurt on board the Sloop, that the Gue had water mixt with it which rotted the Bottoms of the Duppers, & occasion'd great Leakage, & that the Gunny Bags being stow'd upon the Oyl Jars under the Gue, rec'd the greatest part of their Damage from the said Leakage, tho' they were not new when put on board.

As a proof of the excessive badness of the rice We have sent your Worship &c^t^. a Bag taken promiscuously from among the whole Quantity which we beleive will sufficiently convince you that we do not Complain without reason, we also find upon Examination in the presence of the Master of the Sloop that above one half of the Duppers of Gue were gnaw'd by the rats & the holes stopt up with straw & Trash, which he Declares are in the very same Condition in which he received them, & for your further Satisfaction we have Enclos'd a Copy of the Storekeeper's Report.

The Rice by the Lapwing was very little better & upon the whole we cannot help concluding that the black fellows who had the Care of shipping these articles on board have greatly impos'd upon your Worship &c^t^. which We are the more inclinable to think as the Master of the Sloop acquaints us you intended us some of the best Rice that could be got.

We must therefore request that your Worship &c^{t}. will give orders to have all future Supplies well examin'd before they are sent off, for it is not only a great Disappointment to us but a manifest Loss to the Honourable Company, by bringing a Charge upon this Settlement for things that are not fit for use not to mention the Expences of freight & Boat hire.

We cannot yet advise your Worship &c^{a}. of the Outturn of the Salt, as we have not Godown room to measure it off, enclos'd you will please to receive an Indent for what further articles We shall stand in need of.

By the Houghton as your Worship &c^{a}. will observe in our Letter to Bengal by the Bombay Castle which We refer'd to your Perusal, We have indented pretty fully to the Gentlemen, especially for that material article rice, & as the uncertainty of affairs at that Juncture render'd even those Expectations doubtful, We empower'd M^{r}. John Massey, who was sent to Batavia in April last to purchase a Quantity to be brought hither by the Storeship or any other Conveyance that might offer which was a necessary precaution, as our Crops of paddy have lately prov'd but very indifferent, & it would distress the Mallays a good deal should we make any considerable purchases here.

The Loss of Madrass added to the uncertain Situation of Affairs in India & the anxiety we were under for the safety of Fort S^{t}. David's & Bengal having rec'd no advices from ether Settlement, induc'd us to send M^{r}. Massey to Batavia for Intelligence, but as We had no news of his arrival when the Bombay Castle sail'd We began to be apprehensive that some Accident had befallen him.

A few days after that ship sail'd the Deputy Gov^{r}. rec'd a Letter from him by a China Praw wherein he makes no Mention of any French Ships in those Parts, Confirms what We wrote your Worship &c^{t}. relating to the Affairs of Benjar, but does not mention any other news of Importance, except that by a Dutch Ship lately arriv'd from the Cape he heard that the hoñble Company's Snow had touch'd there with advices for some of the Settlements.

As our chief Intentions in sending M^{r}. Massey to Batavia were to procure Intelligence, We directed him in our Instructions to Continue there till the Latter end of this Month, before which Time in all probability our Storeship may arrive & the outward bound China Ships have either touch'd there or pass'd by unless some Accident should intervene, in Case we may receive any extraordinary news from that Quarter hereafter We shall send your Worship &c^{t}. immediate advice of it, & in the mean Time shall take the first opportunity to forward your Letter to that Place recommended to the Care of M^{r}. Massey or some proper person to Deliver it to the Commander of any Ship bound your way.

The news of the Surrender of Madrass & the uncertainty We Labour'd under for want of Advices gave us some uneasiness for the safety of this Settlem^{t}. In our Enclos'd Letter we mention'd to your Worship &c^{a}. the weakness of our Garrison which could make but a very poor defence against a European Enemy, & our greatest dependance lays upon our hopes that the French will not think it worth their while to meddle with us, We are sure did they know our Circumstances they would not, because the Plunder they might Expect to get would be very trivial & they could never be induc'd to keep the place from any Expectations of a Trade with the Natives who are indigent lazy treacherous People, & it is with the greatest Difficulty even We who have resided so long among them can keep them to their buziness. The Quantity of Pepper in our Godowns at Fort Marlbro' is very small & collected with great Trouble, the most of the Produce being brought in at the several out Residencies along the Coast about the Time of the Europe Ship's arrival, and that Vessel sent to receive it in small Parcels which is attended with much Expence & Delay.

As to the Hoñble Company's Cash it is at present very low & most of the Inhabitants who have any Effects to Lose have taken the opportunity of a Dutch Vessel which brought us a small supply of Rice, Arrack & Salt to secure them at Batavia & elsewhere, so that the French would never find it answer their Ends, even were they to succeed in their attempt.

We are nevertheless making the best preparations we are able for our Defence, & as we cannot at this Juncture expect any Reinforcem^{t}. from your Coast of Europeans We should be glad your Worship &c^{t}. could provide us with about two hundred good able Peons of the Gentoo Cast, who would be very serviceable at all

Times & much more trusty than our Bugguesses, who, though reported to be good Soldiers in a foreign Country when apart from the Mallays yet here soon contract their indolent Disposition, & little or no Dependance can be plac'd upon them, as they are by being Mahometans attach'd to the Mallays upon a religious acc^{t}.

We at present are in perfect Peace with the Country about us which We shall Endeavour to preserve to the utmost of our power.

The Lapwing was dispatch'd from hence the 5th. Ins^{t}. with fifty eight Tons of Pepper being all she Could take in, the Bombay Castle sail'd for Fort S^{t}. David the 2nd. & the Norfolk for China the 1st. of this Month.

Agreeable to your Worship &c^{ts}. Inclinations, We have Directed the Master of this Sloop to proceed to Galle & to follow the Orders he may find lodged there for him, or in case he should miss that Place to go on to Trancomally, We have also taken the Opportunity to forward 50 Tons of the Iron brought out by the Norfolk for Madrass, amounting as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading enclos'd to ℔ 2870 being y^{e}. whole.

Upon the Norfolk's arrival. We open'd the Pacquet for Fort S^{t}. George, & observing by the general Letter, that the Honourable Company were inclinable to Encourage the Importation of ordinary Teas at Madrass, We in our Instructions to the Factors of the said Ship directed them to prevail with any Armenians or Macao Ships to import such Sortments either at Fort S^{t}. David or this Place upon the Terms mention'd therein imagining it would be equally acceptable to their Honours as Madrass is no longer in being We have therefore Enclos'd to your Worship &c^{a}. a Copy of the said Letter in case they should be able to make any such agreement.

We have rec'd of M^{r}. Hamilton the amount of his Respondentia Bond & given due Credit for the same.

Some time ago We wrote to the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. George for a parcel of Fanams single double & treble to Disperse among the Mallays which will be of acceptable Service as We cannot procure hardly any of the round Estimates, if your Worship &c^{t}. can therefore supply us with about four thousand Dollars enough of these Sorts, We request you will do it by the first Conveyance, as well as with about five hundred Dollars worth of Copper Cash, such as the Malabars & Moors call Bencoolen Cash.

The Reverend M^{r}. Ryder whom the honourable Court appointed one of the Chaplains of Fort S^{t}. George & came out by the Bombay Castle being desirous to Continue upon our Establishm^{t}. till affairs are a little more settled, We have Entertain'd him, as we had no Gentlemen of that Cloth amongst us.

With regard to the vacant Lieutenant's Commission We had made no recommendation of any Person in our general Letter to Madrass as We expected the President & Council there would have made the appointm^{t}. & as the Vacancy is also represented to the HONOURABLE COURT We Chuse to refer giving any Commission till the arrival of our Storeship when probably We may receive orders on that head.

The Attorneys of Robert Lenox Exq^{r}. having some Money belonging to him in their hands desir'd we would receive the same & grant Certificates for the amount to your Worship &c^{t}. but We have Excus'd ourselves from it as you mention'd a want of money in your Letter communicated to us by Cap^{t}. Browne, besides we did not judge it consistent with our Master's Intrest at this Juncture to grant Bills when we are in so uncertain a Situation & this partly induc'd the Inhabitants to send their little matters to Batavia as aforemention'd, but if it is convenient to your Worship &c^{t}. to accept such Certificates upon the like occasion We request you will acquaint us by the next opportunity.

We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants,
JOSEPH HURLOCK.
ISAAC BARBUT.
CHARLES SMITH.
HENRY COALES.

FORT MARLBRO'
JULY 16TH. 1747.

N°. 66

To the Worsh^{l}. Charles Floyer Esq^{r}.
Governour of Fort S^{t}. David &c^{t}. Council.

Worsh^{l}, Sir & Sirs

Our general pacquet to your Worship &c^{t}. by the Sloop Fanny was dated the 16th. Ins^{t}. but the winds proving Northerly the whole Quantity of Iron did not get on board till the 17th. when she sail'd for Point Galle, & we were in hopes would have met with a very favourable Passage, the said Sloop to our great Surprize return'd the Evening of the 24th. in a very leaky Condition as your Worship &c^{a}. will please to observe by the enclos'd Papers, & in no Capacity to perform the Voyage, We immediately upon her arrival sent a Pilot on board to Conduct her into Pooloo Bay, & an order to the Master of the honourable Company's Sloop Success to receive the Iron from her & to prepare to pursue the said Voyage, in Case the Fanny upon a Survey which We caus'd to be taken the next day was found incapable of proceeding, We were much concern'd at this accident, as the Season is now far advanc'd & as your Worship &c^{t}. would be undoubtedly under much uneasiness, was any miscarriage to Deprive you of Advices from this Coast which is now even hazardous & might in all probability be the Case were we to have waited the repairing of the Fanny, the said Sloop's upper works are in a very bad Condition several of her Timbers rotten, her Sails not trust worthy & the Persons who survey'd her of opinion she could not be refitted in Less time than six Weeks as will appear by the Copy of their report under Cover, besides as the only place We have for refitting Vessels is Pooloo, & in want of proper Workmen We could lay no Dependance upon their Diligence.

For these Reasons We now Dispatch the Sloop Success which Vessel was lately purchas'd in the room of the Brilliant with our general pacquet to your Worship &c^{t}. & 1200 Bars of Iron which is all she could conveniently take in the Command of her is given to M^{r}. Hamilton having first Exchang'd his Sloop's Crews with orders to follow punctually his former Directions.

The said Sloop is in very good order & but lately new sheath'd, We shall directly cause the Fanny to be repair'd in the best manner We possibly can & keep her ready to send your Worship &c^{t}. if necessary, in the mean time she will be Employ'd in the Service of our Coast.

And that nothing might retard the Success's departure We have made no alterations in our former Pacquet. We are

Your most humble Serv^{ts}.

Fort Marlbro'
July 29 : 1747.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
Joseph Hurlock.
Isaac Barbut.
Charles Smith.
Henry Coales.

N°. 67

To the W^{o}. Charles Floyer Esq^{r}.
Deputy Gov^{r}. &c^{t}. Council at Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

We have rec'd your favours of the 8th. May & 15th. Ins^{t}. the several Bills you have drawn on us payable to the owners of the Prince of Orange Jenny & Fort S^{t}. George shall be discharg'd the Medicines you sent us ℔ Jenny are safe arriv'd that Ship having put by the Port of Vizagapatam by stress of weather the Captain acquainted us that he had some Treasure & Bales design'd for the Chief &c^{t}. Council there which we have Caus'd to be Landed here & shall send it to them ℔ first opportunity.

We are in equal Expectation with you of the arrival of some of our honourable Master's outward bound Ships to supply us with money which at present is so scarce with us that we have not sufficient for our necessary Expences so that we

have no hopes of being able to Supply you as you Desire in August, but must repeat our Desire that if any of our honble Master's Ships fall in at your Settlem[t]. that you will send us all the money you can spare otherwise our Investment must suffer greatly, & let all the money you send be in Arcot Rupees if possible.

Agreeable to your Desire we shall supply the West Coast with the Stores they indent for by a Country Ship design'd to sail hence in Aug[t].

We are sorry to Learn that you think your Garrison so weak notwithstanding the Supplies you have rec'd from Bombay & want no Incitem[ts]. to send you all the Assistance in our power, & have Come to a resolution of sending our Honble Master's Ship Princess of Wales with the Stores you have wrote for & as many of our Military as we can Engage to go willingly & for that Purpose have promis'd a Gratuity, for our Place is so open both to the Land & river that should we Attempt to force them they would certainly desert us as was found to be the Case, when we wanted to supply the Squadron till We promis'd that no force should be used & there the Deserters return'd however you may be assur'd We will send you all We can.

The Private Trade from the Phazee Salam has been landed here.

The Morattoes have built Barracks between Midnap[ore] and Ballasore & seem determin'd to pass the rains here which We fear will be a great Impedim[t]. to the Trade of the Country.

We are

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
A. DAWSON.
HUM: BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

FORT WILLIAM
JULY 7[TH]. 1747.

N°. 68

TO THE WORSH[L]. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ[R].
DEPUTY GOV[R]. &C[T]. COUNCIL AT FORT S[T]. DAVID.

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS

We wrote you yesterday & the Cossid was under Dispatch when your favour of the 25[th]. June ℔ Queen of Hungary came late at Night by which We are extremely glad to hear of the arrival of our Honble Master's Snow the Swift & that their other Ships were to sail shortly after them under Convoy of two men of war.

As you desire a further large Supply of rice We shall give all necessary Encouragem[t]. for a large Quantity to be got to you in the Month of August or Sep[r]. & in the Princess of Wales shall send as much as she Can take in.

We advis'd you yesterday that we should send the Treasure you design'd for Vizagapatam ℔ first opportunity but as we are in actual want of money to provide the Rice design'd you & other necessary occasions We shall be oblig'd to keep the Rupees but will send them Pagodas & Woolen Goods & when we are in Cash We will supply them with the same Quantity of Rupees also. We are

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
A. DAWSON.
HUM: BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

FORT WILLIAM
JULY 9[TH]. 1747.

N°. 69

TRANSLATE OF A DUTCH LETTER FROM THE GOVERNOUR & COUNCIL OF NEGAPATAM.
TEVENEPATAM.

TO THE NOBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR OF THE NOBLE ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
AT FORT St. DAVID & THE COUNCIL.

NOBLE SIR & SIRS

By your much esteem'd favour of the 14th. August O.S. We are acquainted with the Request of your Worship &ct. for levelling the Factory house at Tevenepatam belonging to the United Company of Netherlands India, for the many Reasons & Motives specified in your said favour, in Answer to which We have the honour to Acquaint your Worship &ct. that the same motives that Induce you to use all proper Measures for the preservation of Fort St. David oblige us to maintain our Right & Property in the said Factory which We can by no means give up without an especial Order from our Superiours at Batavia it being a matter of too great Importance for us to determine on, We cannot imagine or Beleive that the French will unjustly make use of the abovesaid Factory belonging to a Neutral power as a Means to Destroy your Fort, but should they Design such a thing We shall take all proper Cautions to prevent it, therefore we Desire that your Worship &ct. will be pleas'd not to insist any farther, upon Levelling the Factory, for tho' as you say self preservation be the first Law of Nature, yet that cannot Extend to the property of another neither can you Encroach upon our Rights without Breach of Contract, & if your Worship &ct. do intend any thing in prejudice of the said Factory or it's Appurtenances We shall be obliged to protest against such a proceeding in the name of our high Superiours & the General & Council of the Netherlands India at Batavia, & hereby We do protest against it in all due form, as We cannot take upon us to be answerable for the Consequences that may attend such a proceeding.

We Desire your Worship &ct. to be perswaded that We Esteem nothing more than the Continuance of your Friendship & are with all Respect

NOBLE SIR & SIRS

Your very humble & obedient Servants

CASTLE OF NEGAPATAM.
9TH. SEPTEMBER 1747 N.S.

GALENUS MERSEN.
GE. JO. FALCK.
C. L' VN. DRENTELEN.
P. VANSON.
SR: VERMONT.
JAN: MARLENSZ.
D. VICK.
GERRIT VAN VEEN.
B. JEYLINGEN.

N°. 70

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT St. DAVID.

GENTLEMEN

We inform'd you under the 18th. Inst. of our having sent two proper Persons to Pallicattacherry to get Bills in your favour for the eight Chests of foreign Silver & that we should send you a further reinforcement of a Subedar & one hundred & twenty-nine men which we accordingly did the next day enclosing muster Roll of their names what advanc'd them for their two Month's pay, & account of one Month's Diet money allow'd them for their passage.

On the 25th. Inst. We rec'd your Letter of the 8th. & 28th. following We rec'd your former of the 21st, July which was sent us by the Chief & Factors of Anjengo to which We reply.

That We shall pay to the Families of the Seepoys what They Desire agreeable to the List you sent us.

Enclos'd you will receive a monthly acct. of Provisions to be allow'd the Officers & Seepoys we sent you or otherwise please to Pay them conformable to the acct. Diet money we Transmitted it being our Bargain with them & the easiest Terms we Could prevail on them to Accept, & altho' we are sensible their Demands were very Extravagant, yet from the Situation of our Honble Master's Affairs on your side, & the strenuous manner in which the Commodore & Mr. Floyer wrote to us to send assistance & spare no Cost we Complied as punctually as we Could with your requests & will hereafter Endeavour to make up the number of Men you Desire.

The five French Ships are still at Goa & the Ship & Brigantine which were at Mahie when we wrote you last sail'd from thence a few days ago standing to the Southward but where they are bound we cannot Learn.

We are

SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servts.

TELLICHERRY

AUGT. 31ST. 1747.

WILLIAM WEST.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.
HUGH SYMMONS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
NICS. STONESTREET.

No. 71

TO THE WO. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Inclos'd is Duplicate of my last since which nothing extraordinary has happen'd.

I am

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedt. humble Servt.

INGERAM

AUGT. 12: 1747.

THOMAS SAUNDERS.

No. 72

TO THE WO. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

I last Night rec'd your Worship's &ct. Favour of the 29th. Ulto. with the Enclos'd Acct. sortment of Ingeram Cloth & shall now Close my Books.

I am glad to advise you the Danger you were apprehensiv[e] of from the French Boat is blown over, the 24th. Ulto. she arriv'd at Yanam with (according to the best accts. I can get) 26 Europeans, eight Came on shore in a small Boat & the 26th. Monsr. de Premineé went on board the Yanam Sloop with the Europeans after having shifted what was on Board the Boat & proceeded for the Bay.

In mine of the 26th. Feby. I advis'd of my having two Horsemen from the Nabob, & Desir'd your Directions whether to Continue or return them they are still

here, & I have found they have been of particular Service, the Nabob is very kind & seems inclin'd to preserve Peace in his Districts I beg Leave to assure you nothing shall be wanting in regard to the Care of our Honble Master's Effects & the preservation of their Factory, having made no Investmt. these 6 Ms. I have retrenc'd the Expences of the Factory by Discharging all useless Servts. should I see Occasion I shall make use of the Liberty you are pleas'd to Grant me, but I hope to hear of the Success of his Majesty's Squadron which will Entirely prevent any this of this Nature. I am

INGERAM

22D. AUGT. 1747.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedt. humble Servt.

THOS. SAUNDERS.

No. 73

TO THE WO. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote you last under the 31st. Ultimo Duplicate of which comes Enclos'd & we now send this Pattamar to Desire you will forward the Letter directed to Capt. Robert Misenor Commander of the Ship Warwick, it being to acquaint him We have sent his Men down to the Bay on a Sloop which arrived with us from Bombay the 2nd. Inst. & was dispatch'd by us from hence the 6th. following.

Our Superiours of Bombay not having an opportunity of supplying us with so full a sum of money at this place as our Occasions requir'd, directed us to make use of the eight Chests of foreign Silver which you wrote us for, We therefore on the 3rd. Inst. dispatch't Pattamars to Pallicattecherry to Impede the Negotiation set on foot for remitting you the amt. of their Value by Bills, & in their way met one of the People whom We Employ'd to Transact this affair returning to acquaint us the Merchts. of Pallicattecherry would not undertake the Business under 5 ℔ Ct. & we run all risques they proposing to send the Money by Pattamars in Rupees We hope therefore as you have rec'd a supply & still may a further this one Disappointmt. will be of no Consequence however you may be assur'd of having all the Assistance from us as Lays in our Power or receiving any further Notice of your Necessities.

We expect shortly some Seepoys from the Northward & on their arrival We will make up the Number you requested & send them to you with all Expedition.

We have no further news of the French Movements when We have We shall not fail to Communicate them and are

SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servts.

WILLIAM WEST.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.
HUGH SYMMONS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
NICS. STONESTREET.

TELLICHERRY

SEPR. 12TH. 1747.

P.S.

Since writing the above We hear that three French Ships are at Mangulore lading Rice which We suppose to be them that were at Goa.

N°. 74

To the Wo. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Govr. &ct. Council at Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to what We wrote you under date the 9th. July that We should give all necessary Encouragemt. for getting to you a supply of Rice We have Contracted with the Owners of this Ship Fanny for 3600 Baggs more or less & enclos'd send you Copy of the Owner's Contract by which you will observe the Terms which we were oblig'd to Come to with the Owners which are different from what agreed on with the other Ships as this Ship being bound to Bencoolen from your Port the Owners would not take Bills upon us, They therefore Engage to Deliver no more Rice than what you pay for.

On this Ship We have freighted Stores &ct. for Bencoolen on our Honourable Master's account agreeable to the Enclos'd List.

We are

Wo. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servts.

Fort William
Augt. 3rd. 1747.

John Forster.
John Jackson.
A. Dawson.
Hum: Bellamy.
William Kempe.
Robert Eyre.

N°. 75

To the Worshl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ct. Council at Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This comes to advise you of the arrival of our Honourable Master's Ship Oxford at this place the 29th. Ulto. she Left England the 2nd. March in Company with the Eastcourt, Cæsar, Winchelsea, Benjamin & Colchester under Convoy of his Majesty's Ships Rippon, Exeter, York, Pool & Eltham who all sail'd from the Madeiras the 22nd. excepting this Ship who did not Leave that place till the 31st. she arriv'd upon the Coast the 25th. of last Month & was inform'd of the Loss of Madrass by a Cattamaran that Came off to her from St. Thome, upon which the Capt. made the best of his way hither. We have given him the truest Information we have been able of the Situation of our Honble Master's Affairs told him how welcome his arrival would have been at St. David both on acct. of the Treasure he has on board as well as ye. infinite Service he would thereby do his Country by adding strength to the Squadron on which all that remains to the English on this Coast depends but his orders he says are to proceed to the Bay in case of his not putting into Madrass which he is resolv'd to follow whereupon We thought proper to Give him our Sentimts. in writing Copy of which we herewith send you as also his Answer thereto. We also send you our Honble Master's Packet which We thought absolutely necessary to open that Copies of their Letters & what other papers it Contain'd might be Transmitted you by the Prs. of Wales whom we hourly Expect here by a Letter we have rec'd from the President & Council of Bengall, Copy of which comes enclos'd, but in Case any thing should happen to prevent the said Ship calling at this place we shall then send you Copies of the aforemention'd Letters & Papers by another set of our Peons being inform'd that your Settlemt. is in great want of Madeira wine We have Landed 50 pipes out of the 100 design'd for Madrass which we also purpose sending you ℔ the Prs. of Wales, We were in hopes of supplying ourselves with some Iron wch. We were in much need of, but

Capt. Stevens telling us that it Lyes under the wine consign'd to Bengall he Could not Conveniently deliver it without shifting the Ship which we did not think proper to detain so Long, We have Landed the Military who are most of them very sickly & weak, those that are in health we shall put on board the Prs. of Wales, & keep the rest till they recover.

We thought it best to Let the following original Papers go to the Bay & send you Copies of all thereof inclos'd in the pacquet, excepting the Bills of Lading, Vizt.

No. 5 Invoice of Treasure & Iron.
11 Victualling bill.
12 Manifest of Goods & Merchandize.

We search'd very strictly for the samples of Beteelas & Cambrick mention'd in the List of Investmt. but could find none so that they must have been omitted.

Capt. Stevens is now taking in Water & fresh provisions for the Ship's Company who are most of them down with the scurvy & Expects to be in readiness to sail for the Bay by tomorrow Evening.

The packet from Messrs. Chambers & Baker at Madeira inclosing Invoice for the Wine & their acct. Currt. comes herewith, if any thing further occurs to us we shall advise you by the Princess of Wales, in the mean time We are with the greatest Respect

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your most obedt. humble Servts.

Vizagapatam
Sepr. 1st. 1747.

Richard Prince.
Robert Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

Copy of a Letter to Capt. Stevens of the Ship Oxford from the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam.

To Capt. Thomas Stevens
Commr. of Ship Oxford.

Sir

As your Ship was Consign'd to the President & Council of Fort St. George which place is now in the hands of the French We think it for the Interest of our honble Masters considering the present Situation of their affairs that you proceed to Fort St. David in order to relieve that place which now requires our utmost Attention. We are

Sir

Your most hble Servts.

Vizagapatam
30th. Augt. 1747.

Richard Prince.
Robert Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

Copy of Capt. Stevens Answer to the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

On your application for the pacquets, Military & part of the Madeira Wine ℔ Ship Oxford for Fort St. George I have deliver'd them, I am of opinion I cannot Answer deviating from the orders, I am now under to proceed to Bengall.

I am

Your most obedt. & most hble Servt.

Vizagapatam
30th. Augt. 1747.

Thos. Stevens.

N°. 76

To the Wo. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ct. Council at Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This waits on you ℔ Ship Fanny & only serves to Inclose Duplicate of what we Wrote you under Date the 1st. Inst. Copy of our honourable Master's Letters & other papers ℔ Ship Oxford shall be sent you by the Prs. of Wales who we beleive will not be long after her as a large Ship has just now appear'd coming from the Northward which We take to be her. We are with respect

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your most obedt. humble Servts.

Richard Prince.
Robert Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

Vizagapatam
6th. Sepr. 1747.

N°. 77

To the Wo. Char[les] Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ct. Council at Fort St. David.

Gentlemen

The enclos'd is Duplicate of our last Letter to you under the 12th. Inst. & we Dispatch this Pattamar purposely to advise you that the three French Ships which winter'd at Goa & we advis'd you were at Mangulore are now going into Mahie, & we shall give you further Advice of their proceedings as Circumstances may hereafter happen.

We are,

Wo. Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servts.

Willm. West.
Willm. Jeynson.
Hugh Symmons.
Nics. Stonestreet.

Tellicherry
Sepr. 14 1747.

N°. 78

To the Honourable Nicholas Morse Esqr.
President & Govr. & Council of Fort St. George.

Honourable Sir & Sirs

Our last was by the London Capt. Sedgwick who sail'd hence the 14th. Octr. for Madrass.

We have since rec'd your several Letters by the Dolphin Capt. Pigot, the Lincoln Capt. Blake & the Vernon Capt. Cooke dated the 6th. Octr. & the 31st. Jany. 1745 with the Goods mention'd in your Invoices & Bills of Lading.

The Dolphin Capt. Pigot pass'd by here the 1st. April last with the Benjamin Capt. Way; & the Porto Bello Capt. Fisher in Co. with the Dutch Fleet, & only lay too till we Could send for the Goods on shore they parted with the Fort St. George Capt. Acton & the Elizabeth Capt. Laurance (Late Pinnel) the Night they left the Cape.

The Somersett Capt. Tollson arriv'd here from England the last of April, & the fourth of May his Majesty's Ships the Deptford, Capt. Moors, & the Dolphin Capt. Wray from Madrass arriv'd here with the Edgebaston, Capt. Hereford (late Cobham) the Lincoln Capt. Blake & the Vernon Capt. Cook (late Webster) under their Convoy.

We Cannot send you an account what Condition the Stores you sent us were in, or how they prove the [Sh]ips not having as yet deliver'd them.

We Desire you will send us for the use of the Island twelve Maunds of wax Candles (one half of about four or five to the Pound) & the rest of the one ℔ Ct. in Arrack, Sugar rice & Paddy.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servts.

St. HELENA

13TH. MAY 1747.

DAVID DUNBAR.
CHAS. HUTCHINSON.
JOHN GOODWIN.
A. PURLING.
P. WRIGHT.

No. 79

TO THE Wo. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR &Ct. COUNCIL AT FORT St. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Our last bore date the 7th. & 9th. July Duplicates whereof enclos'd since which Came to hand your favour of the 1st. July the Bill of Exchange for 838 $\frac{7}{20}$ C.Rs. has been duly paid.

We send this by our honble Master's Ship Princess of Wales Capt. Thomas Harry Invoice of what We laden On her for your Settlemt. comes Enclos'd.

We have also Laden on this Ship every Thing you Design'd for Vizagapatam A Rs. ℔ the Jenny & Consign'd them to Mr. Prince &ct. Council there excepting 30,000 which We before advis'd you We have been oblig'd to keep & shall be sent thither when we are sufficiently in Cash.

Mr. Charles Hampton who came out a Writer for Bencoolen & arriv'd here the 17th. Octr. 1743 & has since been positively order'd by our Honourable Masters to be sent to Bencoolen We therefore send him upon this Ship to be forwarded by you to that Settlement.

We have agreed with the Owners of Ships Fanny Jenny, William, Fort St. George, & Prince of Orange to Deliver their Cargoes of Rice at your Settlemt. & having Wrote you by each Ship & enclos'd Copies of their Contracts with us, We Desire you will Comply with the Terms thereof & particularly in Getting them unloaded as the several Owners for fear of their Ships Losing their Passage back have Stipulated that all the rice remg. on board their Ships at the Extirpation of 12 Days after their arrival with you shall be on our Honble Masters Risque.

The above Supplies together with what Laden on this Ship the Prs. of Wales will be more than 1000 Tons of Rice the Quantity you wrote for which is to prevent any Failure by Accident and as you have it in your Power to pay for the Fanny's Cargo or not.

Agreeable to your Desire in your's of the 15th. June We have freighted on Ship Fanny bound from your port to Bencoolen, Stores &ct. conformab[le] to the List sent you by that Ship the Freights whereof have been paid here.

Enclos'd we send you Copy of Mr. Sterling's Letter accompany[ing] an Acct. Curr. & Acco. Sales of the Arrack sign'd by him as Owner of the Fort St. George desiring to be reimburs'd the Loss on the Sales of 20 Leagers of Arrack which he sent on that Ship of which we advis'd you under Date the 5th. March but as you have Taken no Notice to us about this Arrack or how it was dispos'd of We must Leave it to you to Adjust but must Give it as our opinion that the Owners ought not to be sufferers for having agreed in Council here in Decr. last, as Mr. Hinde had wrote for Stores of all Sorts that we would send him some Batavia Arrack amongst the rest We had purchas'd 20 Leagers at 200 M Rs. Each which was the cheapest we

Could get & applying to Mr. Sterling to freight it on Ship Fort St. George, he thought it would appear Exorbitant to ask sufficient to make it worth his while to Carry it & therefore offer'd to Carry the Arrack on his own acct. to Fort St. David & to Let Mr. Hinde have it upon his own Terms but it is reasonable to Suppose that he would have Expected some Gain thereon having represented this Affair as it really happen'd We must Leave it to you to make the Owners such Satisfaction as you shall Judge agreeable to reason & Justice.

This Ship having before we Design'd her this Voyage taken on board 30 Tons of redwood on our Honourable Master's acct. as she wanted Ballast & it being so stow'd away as not to be taken out without Loss to the Owners it remains in the Ship & We send you Invoice & Bill of Lading thereof.

We also send Enclos'd this Ship's Charter Party for your Use in Case you should think proper to Dispatch her & to be return'd in Case she is sent back.

We have sent you by this Ship the only Mortar We had fit for use with all the Shells belonging to it.

We have sent upon this Ship all the Military We could [get] to go voluntarily & have advanc'd them 20 Rs. each Gratuity & have been oblig'd to promise them that they shall be return'd hither as many of them as have Families as soon as the present Service is finish'd which We must desire you to Comply with & that they may be Continued under the Commd. of Lieutenant William Browne.

Enclos'd we send you a roll of this Command by which you will observe such Persons mark'd as receive a part of their Pay here the remainder you will Please to pay to them monthly agreeable to what they have always rec'd here Vizt.

A Lieutenant	35 C.R . ℔ Mo. & 2 Servants at 10 Rs. Each.
An Ensign	24 Rs. ℔ Mo. & 1 Servant at 10 Each
Serjeant..	20 ..
Corporals & Drummers.	13 ..
Private men	10 each which are the Terms.

We Engag'd them to Go on We have advanc'd the Officers two Ms. pay.

We also thought it necessary to send a Surgeon with this Party & for that Purpose have Entertain'd Mr. Joseph Hooke at 60 A Rs. ℔ Month.

We are sorry to say that it is not in our power to send you any money none of our honble Master's Ships yet being arriv'd having barely sufficient for our own Expences therefore in Case you receive any Supplies of money from Europe We must Desire you will forward all you Can as our Investmt. here & at the Subordinates want to be supplied.

No French Embarkation has yet arriv'd in this River except a small Sloop with 30 hands who having Landed Monsr. De Preminée & two of his Council at Ballasore was afterwards taken by two of our Sloops. We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
A. DAWSON.
HUM: BELLAMY.
WILLM. KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

FORT WILLIAM

AUGUST 17TH. 1747.

N°. 80

To the Wo. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Govr. &ct. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to my Orders from the Honble President &ct, Council of Fort William I repair'd on board the Ship Princess of Wales off Ingellee & the Capt. having sign'd his Bills of Lading I now Dispatch her to your Worship &ct. Council.

I have deliver'd Capt. Harry a Protest for not having his full Complement of men, as Likewise for having but two Guns mounted in the Gunroom instead of four as stipulated in Charter Party.

I have Endors'd off 96 Bags of rice which was damag'd on board the Sloop in bringing down as Likewise 239 Bags of Wheat which were Lost on board another Sloop both which were part of the Cargo design'd for your Port.

Papers Enclos'd.

1st. Bill of Lading,
A Protest against the Commander.
Muster Roll of men on board.
The Gunner's Report of Guns &ct
Receipt for one Box & 2 packets of Letters.

The Ship draws 19 foot upon an Even keel.

I wish her a safe & speedy Passage to your Worship &ct. Council and am

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. humble Servant
Henry Kelsall.

Off Ingellee Road.
Sepr. 4: 1747.

Copy of Mr. Henry Kelsall's protest against Capt. Thos. Harry Comr. of Ship Princess of Wales.

I Henry Kelsall of Fort William in the Service of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies do on their Part & behalf protest against you Thomas Harry Commander of Ship Princess of Wales and against the several part Owners of the said Ship for all Damages that shall or may accrue to the said United Company in not having on board your Complement of Men as stipulated by Charter Party.

As likewise for having but two Guns mounted in the Gunroom instead of four as stipulated in Charter Party. Dated on board the Princess of Wales the 4th. September 1747 off Ingellee.

Henry Kelsall.

Sign'd & deliver'd in the Presence of us.

John Smith.
Fras. Hamilton.

An attested Copy from the Original.

John Smith.
Fras. Hamilton.

N°. 81

To the Worshl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Governour &ct. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Yesterday Evening our honourable Master's Ship Princess of Wales imported here & brought us your Favour of the 15th. June that went to the Bay upon the Jenny Capt. Lutton, of the Treasure that accompanied it We have receiv'd ten Thousand Madrass Pagodas as also the ten Thousand that were design'd for Ingeram, We have also receiv'd the Wares agreeable to Invoice, but the Rupees the Gentlemen of Bengall have kept for their own use.

We shall have due regard to what you have been pleas'd to write us concerning the Investment & take Care to get the Cloth wash'd as soon as possible, We advanc'd the Merchts. 33000 Rupees out of what We receiv'd ℔ Ship Stanhope & Sloop Occident & supplied Ingeram, Maddapollam & Ganjam with Twenty Thousand more, We have also paid Mr. Prince ten Thousand Rupees which he advanc'd in November last to Defray the Charges of this Garrison so that the Ballance of our Cash in Rupees is at present reduc'd to 13842 which obliges us to request a further Supply of you as soon as it may suit your Conveniency.

We shall pay Mr. Prince according to your Directions the Sum of Pagodas 6212. 7. 16 but We have not rec'd the Account of the Quantity of Rice & paddy that you mention to have sent us.

We shall do all that Lyes in us to preserve a good Understanding with the Country Government but We have such daily Instance of the mercenary Disposition both of the Moors & Gentues that the Friendship of either is but Little to be depended on.

Copies of the several papers taken out of the Ship Oxford's Packet (the originals of which were sent you overland) come herewith, We also Inclose Capt. Harry's bill of Lading for 12 Pipes of Madeira wine, as he had not Room for more, We thought proper to Land from the Ship Fort St. George 300 Bags of Rice, having been inform'd it was Contracted for on the Company's account and have put on board the said Ship 20 pipes more, this we hope you will approve of rather than to have had it remain here till Decr. when We shall send up the Rice upon the first Conveyance that offers.

We have taken 4 pipes of the Madeira for which we shall be accountable as soon as you are pleas'd to inform us of the price & by the first opportunity we shall send the remaining four.

We have put on board this Ship Eight French Deserters also 20 Recruits that were Left by the Oxford, & enclos'd is a List of their names Eleven are sick in the Hospitall & four died in the passage which makes up the number mention'd in the List from England.

We are with the greatest respect

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. humble Servants
Richard Prince.
Robert Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

Vizagapatam
20th. Sepd. 1747.

P.S.

Inclos'd is Capt. Browne's receipt for the recruits & Frenchmen.

Idem.
R.P.
R.G.
F.W.

N°. 82

To THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to what We wrote you under Date the 9th. July that we should give all necessary Encouragement for getting to you a Large supply of Rice We have Contracted with the Owners of Ship Prince of Orange for 2500 Bags more or less & enclos'd send you Copy of the owner's Contract by which you will observe the Terms which We were oblig'd to Come to with them with regard to unloading the Ship which if not perform'd in 12 Days after her arrival the Rice remg. on board to be on the Company's account.

On this Ship we have laden 30 Bales of Gunnies on our honourable Master's account Invoice & Bill of Lading for the same are Enclos'd. We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants,

FORT WILLIAM
10TH. AUGUST 1747.

JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
A. DAWSON.
HUM: BELLAMY.
WILLM. KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

N°. 83

To THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

As we find by a Letter Mr. Hallyburton has just now deliver'd us, that the Ship Success is still in the Honble Company's Service & as we think it contrary to their Interest that she should unload the Cargo she has on board in order to take in that lying at Ganjam which by accounts from Mr. Andrews is much damag'd but may be dispos'd of without Loss at that Place, We have thought proper to Let her proceed directly with her Bengall Cargo & do here declare as far as the amount of the Rice & Paddy lying at Ganjam to be on the Honourable Company's account & risque and shall order Mr. Andrews to make use of this favourable opportunity to Dispose of the said Rice & paddy which We hope you will approve of.

We herewith send you Copy of Mr. Hallyburton's Letter to us and are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedt. humble Servts,

VIZAGAPATAM
16TH. SEPR. 1747.

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM MR. HALLYBURTON TO THE CHIEF & COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

To RICHARD PRINCE ESQR. CHIEF
&CT. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

The Ship Success who was taken up at Fort St. David in February last on the honble Company's account, being now return'd from Bengal, & Mr. Saunders her Owner having at that Time appointed Mr. Hinde & myself to Negotiate her Affairs and since desir'd me to Continue it, I humbly beg Leave as his Agent herein to Lay before you that by the Contract made with the Council at Fort St. David she is still in the honble Company's Employ, & that having unfortunately sprung a Leak in her Passage to St. David's with the Cargo of Grain which you had put on board for the Honourable Company, she was forc'd to unlade it at Ganjam & go to refit at Bengal in order to return to Ganjam & reload it in August but Mr. Saunders' Attorneys there after having petition'd the President & Council of Fort William to no purpose to Load her for the honble Company thought it better to put some Grain on board for her Owners than to Let her proceed thus far empty, now these things & it's being late in the Season duely consider'd Encourage me humbly to propose for your Deliberation whether it will not be better to Let the said Ship Success proceed directly without Loss of time for St. David's with the Grain that is now on board upon the honourable Company's account rather than to Detain her here in unloading it & then to send her to Ganjam to take in the Company's Grain lying there, & this the rather because on the 31st. of last Month I receiv'd a Letter from Mr. John Andrews Resident there dated the 26th. Augt. wherein he says.

" Here is a Cargo of Rice Left by the Success which (if it Lyes till December)
" will not be worth the Shipping off, it is now at 80 Pagodas the Madrass Garse
" here but whether they give me Orders to sell it or not, I beleive the Governmt.
" will very soon, or the people must inevitably starve there being no other Grain
" in the Place."

This Letter I have also deliver'd in for your Perusal and am

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble Serv[ant]
JOHN HALLYBU[RTON].

VIZAGAPATAM.
SEPR. 15: 1747.

No. 84

To THE Wo. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

SIR & SIRS

I have provided four Pattarahs for Guides to the accompanying Seepoys & now Dispatch them to you.

I am

SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Servant
ALEXANDER DOUGLASS.

CALLICUT
20TH. AUGT. 1747.

N°. 85

To the Worsh[L]. Charles Floyer Esq[R].
Chief &c[T]. Council at Fort S[T]. David.

Gentlemen

The foregoing is Duplicate of our last Letter to you & we now dispatch this Pattamar to inform you that the three French Ships abovemention'd sail'd yesterday from Mahie & stood to the Southward but where they are bound we cannot Learn.

We hope before this some of our hoñble Master's Ships have arriv'd with you.

We are

Gentlemen,

Tellicherry
21[st]. Sep[R]. 1747.

Your most humble Serv[ts].

William West.
William Jeynson.
Hugh Symmons.
Jn°. Robinson.
Nic[s]. Stonestreet.

N°. 86

To the Worsh[L]. Charles Floyer Esq[R].
Deputy Gov[R]. &c[T]. Council of Fort S[T]. David.

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

This incloses Duplicates of what We wrote you ℔ Ships Princess of Wales & Fort S[t]. George who sail'd out of the road the 20[th]. in the Morning.

We are

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

Vizagapatam
Sep[R]. 25 : 1747.

Your most obed[t]. humble Serv[ts].

Richard Prince.
Robert Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

N°. 87

To the Worshipful Charles Floyer Esq[R].
Deputy Gov[R]. &c[T]. Council of Fort S[T]. David.

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

The Princess of Wales brought me your Worship &c[t]. favour of the 15[th]. with it's Duplicate & Postscript of the 25[th]. June with Invoice of Rupees 5000 & Pagodas 10,000.

I am greatly obliged to you for the payment of Pag[s]. 5000 — — to M[r]. John Hallyburton for which I shall give due Credit, the Gentlemen in Bengal having made use of the Rupees I shall immediately set about investing the 10,000 Pag[s]. & get as much Cloth cur'd as possible in readiness for any orders I may receive theret[o] relating.

I have hitherto been beyond my Expectatio[ns] successful in a good Correspondence with the Government, as yo[u] are sensible how mercenary the Moor's Governments are I need no[t] say that whenever the French find it their Interest to bribe it will not be in my power to withstand such an Attack unless I make use of the same Weapons, I beg leave to assure You I shall always have in view our honourable Master's 27[th]. Paragraph of their Letter of the 7[th]. May.

My reason for waiting your orders concerning my Accounts was that as soon as Fort S^{t}. David was out of Danger by the Repulse of the French & Expectation of our Squadron, I wrote M^{r}. Hinde that if he thought proper I would send them but receiv'd no Answer, & M^{r}. Prince informing me he had done the same but receiving no orders had not sent his, wherefore I have for several months sent mine to Vizagapatam & shall as soon as possible transmit them to you.

I shall in pursuance of your Directions Employ M^{r}. Samuel Banks according to his standing in the Service.

I shall not fail as much as possible to Encourage the Importation of Grain to S^{t}. David, but it is at present at 320 ℘ your Garse.

Monsieur Deloysey the Yanam Chief who some time past tir'd with the troubles of the Government went to Metchlepatam continues there. I am

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

INGERAM — Your most obed^{t}. humble Serv^{t}.

24TH. SEP^{R}. 1747. — THOMAS SAUNDERS.

N^{o}. 88

TO THE WORSH^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

After closing our last of the 20th. September We found M^{r}. Thomas Croke's account of M^{r}. Prince's paddy amounting to Madrass Garce 155. 244. the Syrangs of the Vessels at their return to this place brought M^{r}. Prince Receipts from the Warehouse Conicoplies for Bimblebatam [*sic*] Garce 348. 29. 4 & Vizagapatam Garce 13. 13. 10 which makes according to the usual Calculation Madrass Garce 180. 84. 64 as the difference is very considerable we hope you will excuse the Liberty we take in desiring that the said Conicoplies may be Examin'd & order'd to give in their Reasons for delivering the Warehousekeeper an account of so much less than they had before acknowledged the receipt of.

We are sorry to acquaint you that the want of rain in the beginning of the Season & a difference betwixt our Nabob & Rajah Vezeramrauze which has at Length occasion'd them both to take the Field with considerable Armies is likely to make a scarcity of Grain in these parts & what paddy there is remaining in the Country of last years Growth in all Likelihood will be seiz'd by the Nabob for the use of his Army so that we can only assure you at present of our best Endeavour to supply you.

We have receiv'd from Madapollam sixteen Bales of Cloth which M^{r}. Banks informs us he was order'd to send hither by M^{r}. John Hinde deceased.

We are with great respect

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

VIZAGAPATAM — Your most Obedient hble Servants

2ND. OCT^{R}. 1747.

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 89

To THE WORSH^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}..
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Inclos'd is Duplicate of my Last since which I have receiv'd your Worship's &c^{t}. favour of the 8th. Ult^{o}. with Duplicates of those of the 25th. June & 29th. July, I have before advis'd of the Princess of Wales with the supply of pagodas, the Gentlemen at Bengall having made use of the Rupees, that I have begun to invest & shall have everything in readiness for what orders I may receive concerning the Bales, I have only to add that I shall be able to get but a small part cur'd, having but 20 Washermen, the rest being dispers'd through the Country by hunger & the want of Employ.

I shall punctually obey your Directions as to orders I may receive from the Gentlemen at Bengall in regard to my Bales & Accounts, I immediately on the Receipt of your favour wrote them the Necessary, copy of which comes herewith. I am

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIR[S]
Your most obed^{t}. humble Ser[vant]
THOMAS SAU[NDERS].

INGERAM
9TH. OCT^{R}. 1747.

N°. 90

COPY OF A LETTER FROM M^{R}. THOMAS SAUNDERS TO THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF BENGALL.

To THE HONBLE JOHN FORSTER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Deputy Gov^{r}. &c^{t}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David in their Letter of the 8th. Ult^{o}. have been pleas'd that during the present uncertain Situation of affairs to the Southward I am to have regard to your Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. orders in relation to the Bales & Accounts of this Factory, wherefore I think it necessary to advise that if no unforeseen Accident happens I may probably be able to invest the 10,000 Pagodas receiv'd ℔ Princess of Wales & have by January about 250 Bales, but have no good Tonnage for the same & as our Washermen are dispers'd I am afraid but a small part of it will be cured, my Accounts are ready to be transmitted you on the first advices.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servant
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
7TH. OCT^{R}. 1747.

N°. 91

To the Worsh[l]. Charles Floyer Esq[r].
Chief of Fort St. David &c[t]. Council.

Sirs

Your favour of the 15th. June with it's Duplicate & that of the 25th. of the same month reach'd me yesterday, I shall pay due regard to what you write about my Investm[t]. as Likewise concerning the Gunneys & Twine.

I have by this Conveyance wrote the Gentle[men] of Vizagapatam to send me some money, but as it will be yet fifteen days before I can receive it you cannot be insensible ho[w] little time will remain for me to effect any thing this year which I am truly sorry for, because Cotton has been very reason[able] & had I been so fortunate as to have receiv'd an early supply of Rupees I might have made some figure in Salampores.

Under Date the 19th. August I wrote Mr. Prince that having receiv'd no Answer to the several Letters I had wrote you about the Success's Cargo, I was at a Loss what to do, that a Little of the Grain was rotten when it came ashore & a good part of it wet that I thought it was better to sell it, that as the price of Grain was here at that time I beleiv'd I could make the money for it, but when I receiv'd their Answer to do so, was greatly disappointed, the Invoice running much higher than I expected & Natchany & other small Grains coming in, having Lower'd the price here, nevertheless I have begun to sell it, as I am still of opinion it's the best way so to do, because if you don't approve of the amount of the Sales, the money will always put the same Quantity of new Grain in it's place in December.

I am

Sirs

Your most obedient & most oblig'd humble Serv[t]

John Andrews.

Ganjam
Sep[r]. 27th. 1747.

P.S.

Herewith come the accounts of this place from the 1st. of August 1746 to the Last day of August 1747, the Books are Likewise ready to be sent when you shall be pleas'd to order them.

N°. 92

To the Worsh[l]. Charles Floyer Esq[r].
Deputy Governour &c[t]. Council of Fort St. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

We are now to acknowledge the Receipt of your Favour of the 8th. September which was brought us the 11th. Instant the same day arriv'd here his Majesty's fireship Fuogo who came into our River the next Morning in order to Clean & Refit, that she may be ready to proceed to her appointed place of Rendezvou[s].

Agreeable to your Letter of the 29th. July We have Entertain'd an extraordinary number of Peons & Lascars the former we are training up to Military Discipline & purpose to continue them in the Service so Long as the exigency of Affairs may require, which We hope will be but a short time.

We have had the pleasure to hear from the Commander of the Fuogo that the Enemy's Ship the Neptune was burnt by the boats of the Squadron in Madrass Road the 23rd. of last Month & We hope the Amelia is reserv'd for the same fate.

We have acquainted the Gov[r]. & Council of Bengall with the Quantity of Cloth We have on hand & shall follow their Directions concerning the same.

Inclos'd is Duplicate of what We had the honour to write you under Date the 2nd. Instant & as nothing materia[l] occurs to us at present We have only to add that we are very respectfully

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM
20TH. OCTOBER 1747.

N°. 93

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to what We wrote you under date the 9th. July that We should give all necessary Encouragement for getting to you a large supply of Rice We have contracted with the Owners of the Ship Fort St. George for 4000 Bags more or less & enclos'd send you Copy of the Owners Contract by which you will observe the terms which We were obliged to come to with regard to unloading the Ship which if not perform'd in 12 Days after her arrival the Rice remaining on board to be on the Company's account.

We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
" "
HUM: BELLAMY.
W. KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

FORT WILLIAM
17TH. AUGUST 1747.

N°. 94

TO CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR &CTL. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have before me your favours of the 15th. June & 8th. September the former inclosing Coja Meerza's original obligat[ion] which I have shewn him, & accordingly demanded the Goods whic[h] he refuses to deliver till you are pleas'd to send his Contract also, wherein is specified the Quantity of each sort of Goods which he tells me is much more than what he has provided by reason of his having receiv'd only four Thousand pagodas & that he doe[s] not think it belongs to him to Lay out his own money for which reason he has included the charges of washing, packing, freigh[t] &ct. in the above sum, he also acquaints me that the honble Company is indebted to him about seventy five pagodas for a present made the Jourdar Last year by order of Mr. Morse which he now demands of me, I therefore humbly beg your Answer to this as speedily as possibly with what other Directions may be necessary concerning this tedious affair Coja Meerza has wrot[e] Letters which come by his peon.

The Bales that were Laying at Maddapollam are sent to Vizagapatam, where they are safely arriv'd, I shall take due Care to observe your Directions concerning the withdrawing of Maddapollam Factory so soon as I have made an End of the above affair.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

MAZULIPATAM — Your most obedient & most humble Servant

18TH. NOVEMBER 1747. — SAMUEL BANK[S]

N°. 95

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR
GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID &CT. COUNCIL.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

I am obliged with your favour of the 8th. September & agreeable to your orders have secur'd your Vessel to carry up the Success's Cargo, which I shall send away as soon as I see the full moon in December I had before I receiv'd your Letters sold the N°. 3 which was very indifferent, but if I can get it in time I shall replace the same Quantity of rice that's new. I have wrote the Gentlemen of Bengal for the 15000 Rupees sent by the Jenny & shall observe all such orders as I shall receive from them, under date of the 29th. Sepr. I Enclos'd your Worship &ct. the preceding twelve months, this covers the Journal parcels & Cash account of this place for Septr. & October.

I am with much respect,

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

GANJAM — Your most obedient & most humble Servt.

NOVR. 10TH. 1747. — JOHN ANDREWS.

N°. 96

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

We receiv'd your favour of the 28th. October the 10th. Instant & are glad to find that you approve of our having Landed the Oxford's pacquet & a part of her Madeira wine, but are greatly concern'd to hear the Ship Fort St. George on whom we sent twenty pipes has not been with you, as the remg. eight pipes will be wanted at this place & the other Factories We shall credit acct. Currt. Fort St. David for the same at the rate of 50 Pags. ℔ pipe.

By the master of the Essex we are inform'd that the President & Council of Bengall design to send our honourable Master's Ship Houghton to this place for the Cloth We have about 350 Bales ready to put on board her as soon as she arriv[es]. The President has Likewise inform'd Mr. Prince that he shall not be able to supply us with any Rupees till the Ships arrive from England.

We are sorry for the Loss of our honourable Master's Ship Anson but hope it will not be Long éer we shall be in a condit[ion] to prevent the Enemy's doing us any further mischief.

Our books & accounts shall be sent you in a few Days in the mean time We are with Respect.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedt. humble Servts.

VIZAGAPATAM

13TH. DECR. 1747.

RICHARD PRINCE.
ROBERT GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 97

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your Letter of the 19th. Sepr. ℔ Ilchester & it's Duplicate also your Letter of the 28th. Sepr. are both come to hand with pleasure we hear of the safe arrival of our honble Master's Ship Oxford & hope the others are also with you before now.

The Ilchester arriv'd here the 25th. Inst. in the Evening & will be ready to take in Goods on the 30th. which we shall send her as fast as she can take them in & hope to dispatch her in a few days.

It is some time since we heard any thing of the French Privateers the last account we had of them was that they were unloading the Anson & the Dutch Ship at Goa where it is suppos'd they had sold their Cargoes.

We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servts.

ANJENGO

NOVR. 28TH. 1747.

RICHD. BOURCHIER.
THOMAS PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.

Dispatch'd the 28th. at Night.

N°. 98

TO THE WORSHL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

This goes under Tarwarrees Cover to Judajee Sunker at Arcot who will pay you Arcot Rupees one hundred Thousand (100,000) We having paid to Tarwarree here Surat Rupees one hundred & one thousand (101000) being at the Exchange of one hundred & one Surat Rupees for one hundred Arcot, the honourable President & Council of Bombay have directed us to make this remittance & the said Judajee Sunker is caution'd to make it to you & transmit this Letter in such manner that neither may fall into the Enemy's hands, when you receive it advise us as soon as possible.

We are

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

Your most obedt. humble Servts.

SURAT

27TH. OCTR. 1747.

THOMAS MARSH.
G. SADLIER.
JA: HEN: LAMBE.
W. FRAZER.
W. A. PRICE.

N°. 99

To the Worsh^l. Charles Floyer Esq^r.
Deputy Governour &c^t. C^o. of Fort S^t. David.

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

Inclos'd is Duplicate of my last, I have only to advise that I have near compleated my Investment & have prevail'd upon the Merchants to take off the advance of 2 on Long Cloth ordinary & P.1 on ordinary Salampores not doubting if necessity should require it you will please to grant the same another time. Cloth on hand underwritten.

I am

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

Your most obed^t. hble Serv^t.

Tho^s. Saunders.

Long Cloth ordinary 180 P^s.
Salampores ord^y. 145
Long Cloth fine 45

N°. 100

To the Worsh^l. Charles Floyer Esq^r.
Governour &c^t. C^o. of Fort S^t. David.

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

This dispatches you the Seydal Madenah Sozapillee Kistumah Syrang, with a part of the Cargo left here by the Ship Success & some Ganjam Goods as ℔ List & Bill of Lading enclosed, I could get no other Vessels here, therefore beg you will be pleas'd to give her an immediate dispatch that I may return her to you w^th. the remainder.

Your Worship &c^t. will observe a considerable Los[s] on the rice, about thirty bags were damag'd & thrown away when it was first Landed & it's impossible that Grain can be twice Laden & kept in a Bansall nine months without losing greatly.

As I have been inform'd that the Gentlemen are greatly in want of money in Bengall, I am dubious of thei[r] sending me any therefore request your Worship &c^t. will be plea[sed] to send me some supply by this boat or I shall be at a Loss to pay the freight & other charges I must necessarily be at, Enclos[ed] come the Accounts of this place for November.

I am with the greatest Esteem

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient & most oblig'd humble Servant

John Andrews.

Ganjam
December 16^th. 1747.

N°. 101

To the Worsh[L]. Charles Floyer Esq[R].
Deputy Gov[R]. &c[T]. Council of Fort S[T]. David.

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

This is only to inclose Duplicate of wh[at] We wrote you under Date the 13th. Ins[t]. & to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 7th. Nov[r]. advising us that the George Snow arriv'd at Anjengo the 8th. October from England where We are glad to find the Porto Bello was Safe arriv'd the 20th. April. We are

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Serv[t][s.]

Vizagapatam

17th. December 1747.

Richard Prince.
Robert Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

N°. 102

To the Worsh[L]. Charles Floyer Esq[R].
Deputy Governour &c[T]. Council of Fort S[T]. David.

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

The foregoing is Duplicate of what We wrote you under the 27th. Ultimo & this serves purposely to inclose you second bills of Exchange for the sum therein mention'd.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient servants

Surat

12th. November 1747.

Tho[s]. Marsh.
G. Sadlier.
James Henry Lambe.
W. Frazer.
W. A. Price.

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